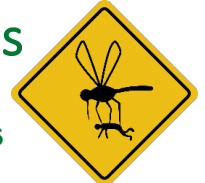




STAY AWAY from Summer Stingers & Bug Bites



HAZARD: Bees, wasps, hornets, ants, ticks, spiders

WORKSITE: Common areas to find stinging and biting insects:

- Nests in Trees
 - In rubber tires, crates, boxes, abandoned vehicles
- Under logs, piles of rocks and other protected sites such as pallets



FACT

Power tools such as chainsaws can aggravate insects which may provoke them to swarm

CONTROL:

VISIBLE INSPECTION: look around the worksite for common areas for nests

FACT

STAY CALM: IF you have disturbed a nest and hear "wild" buzzing. **Protect** your face with your hands and run from the area immediately.

CLOTHING: Tuck in your shirt and pants and tie back long hair. **FACT** Wear an extra layer of clothing since wasp stings are long enough to reach through one layer of clothing.

CHECK BEFORE YOU DRINK: to make sure no insects have entered your open soda cans or bottles

DRIVING? If you find a bee or wasp in your car, stop and leave the windows open

Most stings will only result in a temporary injury - pain, MILD swelling, and skin redness around the sting.

SEEK FIRST AID to remove tick/stinger - may apply an ice pack to help reduce the effects of a sting / bite

**FIRST AID:
Insect Stings and Bites**

REACTIONS THAT REQUIRE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (911):

- 🔍 Swollen eyes
- 🔍 Difficulty breathing
- 🔍 Hoarse voice or swelling of the tongue
- 🔍 Dizziness OR Unconsciousness
- 🔍 Stay with the person who has been stung to monitor