



HEAT ACTION DAY 2 June

Recognizing and responding to heat stroke

Extreme heat is threatening lives and wellbeing. Preparing for and responding to extreme heat events is a critical area that deserves much more attention, investment and planning considerations.

Suggested actions at the country Shelter Cluster level include:

1. Discussing and providing guidance on the impact of extreme heat on outdoor workers building shelters and food preparation.
2. Reviewing the use of shade nets and other methods of providing shade and cooling on very hot days. Global Shelter Cluster guidance on shade nets can be found [here](#).
3. Sharing experiences on past extreme heat events and how shelter and settlements-related actions can reduce the impact of these events.
4. Discussing how early warning systems and anticipatory action consider extreme heat and how heat can be better integrated into warning dissemination strategies.

Additional options are available at the IFRC [Heat Action Day](#) web site.



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Global Shelter Cluster Extreme Heat Working Group

Preparing for and responding to extreme heat events is a critical area that deserves much more attention, investment and planning considerations. The Global Shelter Cluster Extreme Heat Working Group is currently focusing on:

1. Raising awareness of the need to plan for and reduce the risks arising from extreme heat events.
2. Integrating early warning and early action to improve heat-aware planning and response.
3. Improving the availability of technical options to reduce the impact of extreme heat in shelter and settlements design.

The Working Group is open to all parties with an interest in addressing extreme heat. You can join the Extreme Heat Working Group by emailing environmentoperations@sheltercluster.com.



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