# INDIVIDUAL PREPARATION FOR SPORT IN **HOT WEATHER**

Participating in sport during hot weather can pose a risk to your health. Before, and during extreme weather events, heat waves or hot days, consider the following:

### **HYDRATE**

- Hydrate with water before, during and after sport to compensate for what the body loses in sweat
- Avoid excessive consumption of fluids which get rid of water from the body and lead to dehydration, such as alcohol, coffee and high sugar drinks

#### **STAY COOL**

- Avoid standing or sitting in hot environments for prolonged periods before being active
  - If it gets too hot, cool down in a shaded area or in an air-conditioned area if available
- Where possible, wear lightweight clothing including a sunhat and cover your arms, legs and neck



If you begin to feel unwell, stop activity, notify an official, coach, parent or administrator

### HEAT STROKE IS A MEDICAL EMERGENCY. CALL TRIPLE ZERO (000) FOR AN AMBULANCE.

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