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- Heavy sweating
- Dizziness
- Muscle cramps
- Nausea
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- Rapid, strong pulses

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When outside:

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- Check on those at highest risk
- Remember your four legged friends as well! Animals do not sweat and cannot tell you they are hot. They need breaks and water too!

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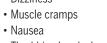


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