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NATIONAL SAFETY MONTH

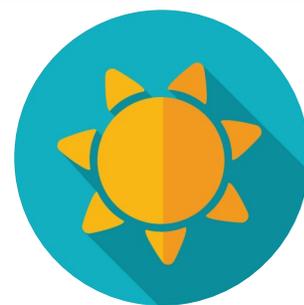


Grill Safety

- Keep grill away from house, deck railings, and flammable overhanging items
- Do not leave unattended
- Clean it regularly
- For gas, open lid prior to lighting
- For charcoal, dispose of coals in metal container after cooled

Sun & Heat Safety

- Stay cool, hydrated, and informed of temperatures
- Limit sun/outdoor exposure between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.
- Use SPF 30+ sunscreen and apply every 2 hours
- Wear a wide-brimmed hat and sunglasses



Boat Safety

- Complete a boater's safety course
- Everyone wear a life jacket
- Communicate your plans
- Stay informed of weather/tides
- Ensure that all safety checks and requirements are met
- Balance your boat

Water Safety

- Never leave a child unattended
- No running on slippery surfaces
- Be aware of currents
- Stay hydrated
- Don't swim too far away
- Don't swim alone—bring a friend
- Enroll family in swim lessons
- Know the signs of drowning



For additional information and resources about National Safety Month, visit the NASA Safety Center (NSC) website at <https://nsc.nasa.gov/>



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Plastic Free July

Wallops Air



Plastic Free July is about encouraging people to be more aware of their use of plastic.

Beginning with just a handful of participants in Western Australia back in 2011, the idea has since grown into an annual event in over 150 countries.

This July, concentrate on reducing single use plastic such as straws, water bottles, and grocery bags by choosing reusable items instead. Other places to reduce plastic include:

Parties

- ◇ Replace plastic decorations and balloons with reusable cloth bunting, lanterns, candles, tissue paper flowers or fresh flowers.



Showering

- ◇ Switch from shower gel to bar soap.

Find more ideas at <https://www.plasticfreejuly.org/get-involved/what-you-can-do/>

When you get back to Wallops, take a deep breath. The quality of that air you just inhaled is protected by the Clean Air Act. The WFF Environmental Office's Air Program ensures compliance with the Clean Air Act by tracking various pollutants and substances which could impact air quality at WFF. The program tracks the types and number of equipment and processes that emit pollutants into the air. These include:

- ◇ generators and fire pumps;
- ◇ boilers and water heaters;
- ◇ paint booths and lab hoods;
- ◇ grit-blasting operations;
- ◇ soldering and welding;
- ◇ rocket motor testing and disposal; and
- ◇ ozone-depleting substance (solvents and coolants) use

The graph below shows Wallops progress in reducing Air Emissions from 2007–2019. The Solar project is expected to further reduce air emissions and improve local air. For more information on the Air Program, contact TJ Meyer at theodore.j.meyer@nasa.gov

