What to look for on your sunscreen label



Choosing the right sunscreen and applying it correctly will protect your skin from harmful UV rays that can cause skin cancer.

- Using sunscreen with an SPF higher than 30 does not mean you can stay in the sun longer or reapply less often.
- Look for protection against both UVA and UVB rays.
 - Mineral sunscreen offers the most protection because it creates a barrier between you and the sun.
 - No sunscreen is waterproof.
 Products must specify whether they are water resistant for 40 or 80 minutes.



Tips for applying sunscreen

Apply 30 minutes before sun exposure.



Apply at least 1 ounce – the size of a golf ball. Cover each part of your body exposed to the sun.



Reapply liberally every 2 hours or after swimming or sweating.



Reapply spray sunscreen more often.



Do not put sunscreen on babies 6 months or younger.

Wear
sunscreen
whether
it's sunny
or not.

UV rays are present year-round and can do damage even on a cloudy day.



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