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Bees buzzing is a sign of good weather, but to people who are allergic to bees and other insects, the buzzing is a signal to beware. On today's HEALTHLINE, here's Dr. Ronald Rothstein of the University of Nevada School of Medicine:

"Although most of us find insect stings simply annoying, these stings can cause more deaths yearly than snake bites. Generally speaking, most people have problems with local pains, swelling, itching, redness, and burning, for which simple measures such as removing a stinger, washing with soap, keeping the area clean, using cold compresses and soothing lotions suffice. Others, unfortunately, have much more severe reactions for which a trip to the emergency room may be necessary, and in fact, specific diagnosis and treatment with allergy injections is necessary. Avoid being stung by not wearing bright colored clothing or heavy perfumes and not walking barefoot in the grass."

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