

Tornado Safety Tips



FACTS TO KNOW

TORNADO WATCH

Tornado conditions are a real possibility for an area.

STAY ALERT TO THESE DANGER SIGNS:

- Severe thunderstorms with strong, gusty winds.
- A “funnel” (dark column spinning from sky to ground).
- A loud, roaring noise (similar to a freight train).

TORNADO WARNING

A tornado has been sighted and may impact on you shortly.

PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY SEEK SHELTER IMMEDIATELY!

AT HOME:

Go to storm shelter or basement. Go to rooms nearest center of house.

IN HIGH-RISES OR OTHER PUBLIC BUILDINGS

(Schools, Hospitals, Nursing Homes, etc.):

Move to interior (preferably a stairwell or hallway.)

IN YOUR CAR:

STOP!! Get out and lie flat in a low area. Cover your head.

IN OPEN COUNTRY:

Lie face down in a low area (ditch or ravine, if nearby). Cover your head.

DO NOT:

- Stay in mobile home. Seek shelter elsewhere.
- Try to outrun the tornado on foot or in your car.
- Open the windows.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CALL YOUR LOCAL
CIVIL DEFENSE OR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE.