



### Why talk about Tornadoes?

Tornadoes have been reported in every state, and are more likely to occur during spring and summer. Though they can happen any time of the day or night, they are most likely to occur between 3:00 and 9:00 p.m. Regardless of the location or time of year, if conditions are right, a tornado can happen.



A storm or tornado can happen when you are not with your family. Wigley and her family talk about what to do and who to call in an emergency. Fill out a plan with your family to have in an emergency.

**MY FAMILY COMMUNICATION PLAN**

My Name: \_\_\_\_\_

My Address: \_\_\_\_\_

My Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting Place: \_\_\_\_\_

**Family Information**

Work Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Neighbor/Relative name and number: \_\_\_\_\_

Out of town contact name and number: \_\_\_\_\_

Always remember to dial 911 in emergencies.



## TORNADO PREP TIPS

**Build an Emergency Kit** *Most emergency experts recommend up to two weeks' worth of supplies.*

- ENOUGH FOOD AND WATER FOR AT LEAST 72 HOURS
- MEDICATION
- FIRST AID SUPPLIES
- WATER FILTER
- HEAT SOURCE
- CLOTHING
- BLANKETS
- TEMPORARY SHELTER

**Make a Family Communication Plan**

**During the Storm:**

- GET TO THE LOWEST LEVEL OR A CLOSET OR HALLWAY
- ALSO STAY AWAY FROM CORNERS, WINDOWS, AND DOORS

**How to Find Safety at:**

- SCHOOL
- CHURCH
- WORK

**Make a plan for Various Situations:**

- PLAN A
- PLAN B
- PLAN C

**Designate a Contact Outside the Area:**

**Make an Evacuation Plan:**

- INSIDE YOUR HOME
- DESIGNATE A MEETING PLACE

### Tornado Shelter Tips

Watch:  
<https://youtu.be/GsjUfdaW67k>

**Safest place.** Basement or interior room, stairwell or hallway on a low floor.

**Worst place.** Avoid windows, doors and outside walls.

Cover yourself with blankets or a mattress for protection. A helmet can be used for added protection against head injuries.

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### TORNADO TERMINOLOGY

#### Tornado Watch

Weather conditions could lead to the formation of severe storms and tornadoes. **BE PREPARED:** Know your safe location. Be ready to act quickly if a Warning is issued or you suspect a tornado is approaching.

#### Tornado Warning

A tornado has been spotted or indicated by weather radar, meaning a tornado is occurring or expected soon. **TAKE ACTION:** There is imminent danger to life and property. Immediately seek refuge in the safest location possible.

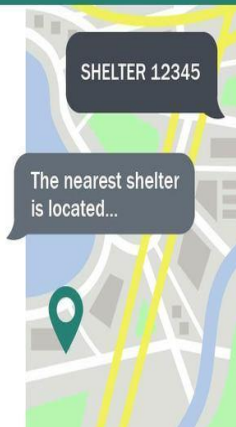
#### Tornado Emergency

An exceedingly rare situation with a severe threat to human life and catastrophic damage due to a confirmed violent tornado. **TAKE ACTION:** There is imminent danger to life and property. Immediately seek refuge in the safest location possible.

FIND AN EMERGENCY SHELTER NEAR YOU:

TEXT SHELTER AND YOUR ZIP CODE TO 43362

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