



# BE PREPARED FOR A TORNADO

Tornadoes are most common between March and August but can happen at any time.

Tornadoes are violently rotating columns of air that can flip cars and create flying debris.



Can happen anytime



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Look like funnels

## IF YOU ARE UNDER A TORNADO WARNING, SEEK SAFE SHELTER RIGHT AWAY

### If you are inside:

1. Try to remain calm.
2. Move to the lowest level of the building, preferably in the middle of the building away from doors and windows.
3. If you cannot make it to the lowest level, seek shelter in a small room under a table or something sturdy.
4. Do not use elevators.

### Warning Communications

1. Tornado Watch: Conditions are favorable for a tornado.
2. Tornado Warning: A tornado has been spotted in the county. Seek shelter immediately.
3. Warning Sirens: Initiates during a tornado warning and will sound for three minutes followed by seven minutes of silence.
4. Shelter-in-place until the tornado warning "expires".

### If you are outside:

1. Try to remain calm.
2. Find any nearby building to enter.
3. If you cannot find a building to enter, find a ditch, streambed, or ravine to lie flat with your head covered.
4. Never use overpasses as a cover during a tornado.
5. NEVER open car windows to equalize pressure.