

TORNADO SAFETY

WHAT IS A TORNADO WATCH?

This means <u>**BE ALERT**</u> because tornadoes are possible in the area you live in. Listen to the radio or watch the television for updates. Be prepared to move to safety.

WHAT IS A TORNADO WARNING?

This means <u>SEEK SHELTER IMMEDIATELY</u> because a tornado has either been spotted on Doppler Radar or one is on the ground near your location.

WHERE SHOULD YOU SEEK SHELTER?

- A basement, if one's available.
- If there's no basement, go to a room with no windows in or near the center of the building on the lowest floor such as a restroom or closet, if available.
- Get under a sturdy piece of furniture, if possible.
- Do not try to outrun a tornado by foot or in a vehicle. It is safer to seek shelter in a building.
- If you are outside, go to a low lying area (example: a ditch), and lie down flat on the ground.
- Do not go near downed power lines or areas damaged by a tornado.

How Should You Position Your Body During A Tornado?



After finding shelter and a safe room...

- 1. Face the wall
- 2. Get on your knees
- 3. Interlock your fingers behind your head
- 4. Lower your head to the floor
- 5. Touch your head to the wall.

Basically, tightly tuck your body into the shape of a ball while on your knees.

TORNADO SAFETY ACTIVITY



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