

Tornado Safety Picture This



Tornado Facts

Tornadoes can develop quickly, so it's important for you and your family to know exactly what to do before and during a tornado.



Tornadoes can last anywhere from several seconds to over an hour. The average is ten minutes.



When a tornado warning is issued you typically have about 15 minutes to take cover.



Flying debris is the greatest danger in tornadoes. Store protective coverings in or next to your shelter space.



Take cover in a lowest area of your home or in a storm shelter.

EF0

WEAK

65 to 85 mph

minor or no damage

EF1

MODERATE

86 to 110 mph

moderate damage

EF2

STRONG

111 to 135 mph

considerable damage

EF3

SEVERE

136 to 165 mph

severe damage

EF4

DEVASTATING

166 to 200 mph

extreme damage

EF5

INCREDIBLE

>200 mph

total destruction of buildings

