

Spring Storm Preparation Tips

KEEPING YOURSELF SAFE DURING A STORM OR TORNADO

Hail and wind can cause just as much damage as tornadoes, and can accompany storms leaving devastating damage. Below are some tips on protecting yourself and your home in the event of a hail and wind storm or tornado.

1. Find Shelter – Avoid water, high ground, isolated trees, picnic shelters and open spaces.
2. Stay indoors, and away from windows, glass doors and skylights which can shatter if hit by hailstones.
3. Avoid using the telephone and electronics during a storm, and do not touch metal objects like stoves, radiators, metal pipes and sinks.
4. Keep your pets indoors and away from windows and glass.
5. Move your vehicle and any machinery to a sheltered area.
6. Store copies of important documents, such as wills and insurance policies, offsite.
7. Secure or store outdoor furniture and loose items, including deck umbrellas.
8. Get all contents off the ground in flood prone areas.
9. Make sure all emergency numbers are available and accessible.
10. Monitor the news and weather on television or radio.
11. Make sure anything that needs to have its battery charged is ready to go.
12. Have supplies ready.