



Tornadoes | Before Hazard Preparation Checklist

What Can I Do Before a Tornado Strikes?

- Purchase a NOAA Weather Radio to ensure you receive critical warning information.
- Register for CT Alert.
- Talk to your insurance agent to ensure your policy includes tornado damage.
- Keep insurance policies, documents, and other valuables in a safe deposit box.
- Plan how you will communicate with your family and friends if phone or Internet systems are down.
- Make a 72-hour emergency kit.
- Keep trees and shrubbery trimmed.
- Identify a safe place in your home where family members, including pets, can gather during a tornado. The safest place to be is underground or in an interior bathroom, closet, or hallway. If you live in a high-rise building, pick a place in a hallway in the center of the building. If you live in a mobile home, choose a safe place in a nearby sturdy building.
- Conduct periodic tornado drills so everyone remembers what to do if a tornado approaches.
- Learn the tornado emergency plans and locations of safe places at your workplace and your children's schools.
- Make a list of items to bring inside in the event of a storm.