

Do you know the difference?

Tornado Watch



WHAT IT MEANS

Conditions appear favorable for the development of severe thunderstorms capable of producing tornadoes.

WHAT TO CONSIDER

Take a moment to review severe weather safety plans and "touch base" with family or work.

Continue to monitor weather updates and be prepared for rapidly changing conditions.

PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS SITUATION (PDS)

Conditions appear especially favorable for the development of tornadic supercells producing intense, long-track tornadoes.

Tornado Warning



WHAT IT MEANS

A tornado is forming or is already occurring based on weather radar and/or observations made by trained spotters.

WHAT TO CONSIDER

Take immediate shelter. Initiate severe weather safety plan.

Remain calm. Most people in a tornado warning will not be directly impacted.

TORNADO EMERGENCY

A large/violent tornado is tracking through a populated area and complete destruction to structures and numerous injuries/fatalities are expected.