

# WALLINGFORD



BE PREPARED FOR:

## TORNADOES

Tornadoes are violently rotating columns of air that extend from a thunderstorm to the ground.

Tornadoes can destroy buildings, flip cars, and create deadly flying debris. They can happen anytime and anywhere, bring intense winds (200+ MPH), and they look like funnels.

### PREPARE NOW!

- Know your area's tornado risk.
- Know the signs of a tornado: including a rotating funnel-shaped cloud, an approaching cloud of debris, or a loud roar (similar to a freight train)
- Be aware of your community's warning system
- Pay attention to weather reports
- Identify and practice going to a safe shelter for high winds

### BE SAFE DURING

- Listen to EAS, NOAA Weather Radio
- Go to a safe room, basement, or storm cellar. If there is no basement, get to a small, interior room on the lowest level
- Stay away from windows, doors, and outside walls
- Do not get under an overpass or bridge. Watch out for flying debris that can cause injury or death. Use your arms to protect your head and neck

### BE SAFE AFTER

- Keep listening to EAS, NOAA Weather Radio.
- If you are trapped, cover your mouth to avoid breathing dust. Try to send a text, bang on a pipe or wall, or use a whistle instead of shouting
- Stay clear of fallen power lines or broken utility lines
- Do not enter damaged buildings until you are told that they are safe
- Be careful during clean-up

Source:

<https://www.ready.gov/tornadoes>

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IF YOU ARE UNDER A TORNADO WARNING,  
FIND SAFE SHELTER RIGHT AWAY!

