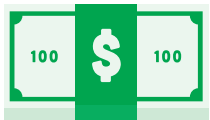


FACTS AND TIPS ABOUT TORNADOES



1,000 TORNADOES CAUSE
\$1.1 BILLION IN PROPERTY
DAMAGE, **1,500 INJURIES**
AND **65 FATALITIES** IN THE U.S.



5 TIPS FOR PROTECTING YOUR BUSINESS FROM TORNADOES:

1. PREPARE A PLAN OF ACTION IN ADVANCE

- ▶ Identify a safe room location equipped with a basic disaster supplies kit.
- ▶ Ensure that employees know what to do in case of an emergency by practicing periodic tornado drills.



2. ALWAYS HAVE A BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLAN IN PLACE

- ▶ Maintaining business continuity in the face of a natural disaster is essential. A typical business continuity plan should address where employees should plan to work, how they will communicate, how the business will continue operating or be maintained, and how operations will resume.
- ▶ Ensure that the plan is complete and is revised/updated at least yearly but ideally after every drill.



3. TAKE PREVENTATIVE STEPS TO MINIMIZE DAMAGE

- ▶ Consistently be on the lookout for and remove diseased and damaged tree limbs.
- ▶ Consider reinforcing your safe room.



4. STAY ALERT WHEN THE WEATHER IS THREATENING

- ▶ Have a tone alert weather radio.
- ▶ Listen to NOAA weather radio or commercial newscasts for up to date information.



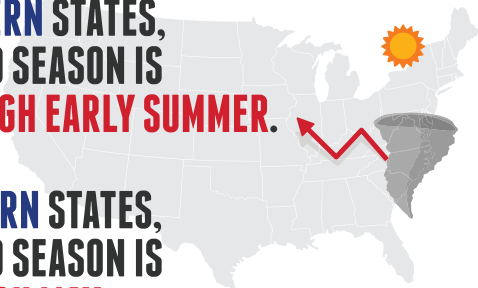
5. PROPERTY DAMAGE

- ▶ When a tornado approaches, do not panic. Try to remain calm and take your pre-determined plan of action. Never try to outrun a tornado. Remain in your safe room until the storm has passed.



IN THE NORTHERN STATES,
PEAK TORNADO SEASON IS
SPRING THROUGH EARLY SUMMER.

IN THE SOUTHERN STATES,
PEAK TORNADO SEASON IS
MARCH THROUGH MAY.



MOST TORNADOES OCCUR BETWEEN
3 PM AND 9 PM
BUT IN GENERAL TORNADOES
CAN OCCUR **AT ANY TIME.**



BECAUSE OF THE VARIABILITY AND SEVERITY
OF DAMAGE THAT TORNADOES CAN CAUSE,
IT'S BEST TO ALWAYS BE PREPARED.

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