

STEP 1 - PREPARE

- Make an **Emergency Plan**. Before a disaster strikes, set a plan with your family to know how to contact one another and reconnect if separated.
- Make an <u>Emergency Supply Kit.</u> Having enough food, water and other supplies is important to have ready in case of an emergency. 72HRS has various <u>Emergency Kits!</u> Choose one that best suites your needs.
- Consider installing permanent shutters to cover windows. Shutters can be closed quickly and provide the safest protection for windows.
- Strengthen garage doors. Garage doors are often damaged or destroyed by flying debris, allowing strong winds to enter.
- Make trees more wind resistant by removing diseased or damaged limbs, then strategically remove branches so that wind can blow through.

Radio and television stations will broadcast weather statements. Pay attention to that information. Keep a **NOAA radio** in your emergency kit

Move to an underground shelter, basement or safe room. If none is available, a small, windowless interior room or hallway on the lowest level of a

sturdy building is the safest alternative

STEP 2 - DURING

- Watch for tornado danger signs: dark, often greenish clouds.
- If you cannot quickly walk to a shelter, immediately get into a vehicle and try to drive to the closest sturdy shelter. Remember to buckle your seat belt.
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STEP 3 - AFTER

If evacuated, return only when **authorities say it is safe** to do so.



Continue listening to local news or a NOAA Weather Radio for updated information and instructions.

Check for injuries. If you are trained, provide first aid to persons in need until emergency responders arrive.









The 72HRS Essentials Kit Available for 1-4 people The 72HRS Deluxe Kit Available for 1-4 people

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Information adapted from <u>The Red Cross.</u>