

# SafetyToolboxTalks

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## National Weather Service Alerts

Spring is here and we're getting into the Tornado season for this area. It's important to review what the various National Weather Service alerts mean.

### **A Severe Thunderstorm Watch**

That means that conditions are favorable for a severe thunderstorm in the area(s) covered under the watch. A Severe Thunderstorm Warning That means that a severe thunderstorm has been spotted in the area either visually or via Doppler Radar. This could mean high winds, lightning and heavy rain.

### **A Tornado Watch**

That means the conditions are favorable for a tornado in the area(s) covered under the Tornado Watch. You do not need to take cover, but you should keep an eye on the conditions and stay near a radio/tv/weather radio.

### **A Tornado Warning**

That means that a tornado has been spotted in the area covered either visually by someone on the ground or via Doppler Radar. That means take cover immediately.

If you have a basement or a storm shelter in your home that is a good place to go. If you're not sure where to go or what help in determining the best place, checkout the FEMA website at [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov) for detailed information on how to determine the safest place to be.