



Tornado Preparedness

Tornado Season Is Upon Us

More tornadoes this year? Victor Gensini, a professor of atmospheric sciences at Northern Illinois University, says yes in the linked article. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/weather/2020/02/16/experts-predict-near-above-average-tornado-activity-this-spring/>

Each location employees occupy should have a plan for what to do in case of a tornado. Locations needing a plan include; the main office, yards, job sites, hotels, and even when traveling in a vehicle. Identifying shelter locations is key.

Several organizations have made developing tornado preparedness plans easier. Take a look at the following sites to see how the information available can be incorporated into your orientation, refresher, toolbox, and job-specific training. Waiting until you see a tornado is too late.

Information on tornado safety and program development is available at:

OSHA - Tornado Preparedness and Response

<https://www.osha.gov/dts/weather/tornado/index.html>

CDC - STAYING Safe in a Tornado

<https://www.cdc.gov/nceh/features/tornadosafety/index.html>

Department of Homeland Security

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

National Weather Service - Tornado Safety

<https://www.weather.gov/safety/tornado>

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