

Are **YOU** Ready?

PREPARE NOW

- **KNOW YOUR AREA'S RISK.**
Severe thunderstorms and tornadoes occur throughout spring, summer, and early fall – and at any hour.
- **PAY ATTENTION** to weather reports and warnings. Be ready to change plans if necessary, to be near shelter.
- **IDENTIFY** nearby, sturdy buildings close to where you live, work, study, and play.
- **SIGN UP** for Otter Tail County's alert & warning system on the county website.

KEY WORDS TO KNOW



Watch

A severe storm possible in your area. Be alert to changing weather conditions.



Warning

A severe storm headed for your area. Seek shelter now! Do not leave shelter until the warning has expired or been canceled.

WHEN SEVERE WEATHER ARRIVES

- **WHEN THUNDER ROARS, GO INDOORS.®**
A sturdy building is the safest place to be during severe weather.
- **GET TO SHORE** and find a shelter immediately if boating or swimming.
- **GET TO THE DESIGNATED STORM SHELTER** if your community, resort, or campground has one.
- **GET TO A SMALL INTERIOR ROOM ON THE LOWEST LEVEL** if you are in a building with no basement.
- **YOU ARE SAFER IN A LOW, FLAT LOCATION** than under an overpass or bridge, where a wind tunnel may develop.
- **TURN AROUND. DON'T DROWN!®**
Just six inches of fast-moving water can knock you down, and one foot of moving water can sweep your vehicle away.
- **LISTEN TO LOCAL RADIO & AUTHORITIES** for updated information.

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