

Tornado Sheltering Guidelines

Seek the best available refuge area **immediately** when a Tornado Warning is issued.
Your chance of surviving a tornado is excellent if you follow these guidelines.

WORST OPTIONS

Mobile homes

Vehicles

Underneath a
highway overpass

BAD OPTIONS

Large open rooms
like gymnasiums

Manufactured housing

GOOD OPTIONS

Interior room
of a well-constructed
home or building

Basement

BEST OPTIONS

Above or below ground
Tornado Storm Shelter
(NSSA/ICC 500 compliant)*

Specifically-designed
FEMA Safe Room*

Find another option



Stay in place until all clear

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*Recommended by FEMA

