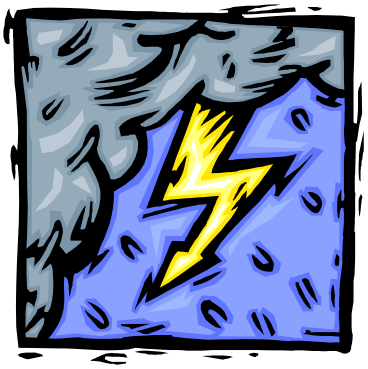
Thunderstorm Safety

Do you know how to be safe in thunderstorms? What are you waiting for?

When Thunder Roars — Go Indoors



LISTEN

- To your NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards
  - It's like a smoke detector for severe weather and hazardous conditions
  - It will warn you if hail or tornadoes might happen
  - It will tell you all about dangerous weather that's on the way
  - It will sound an alarm to get your attention or wake you up so you can get to safety

Practicing Safety during a Thunderstorm

PAY ATTENTION — High winds and lightning are dangerous

If your hair stands on end!

- It means lightning is near
  - Squat low to the ground and make yourself small
  - Bend your head between your knees
  - DO NOT lie flat on the ground

- What to do if you're indoors
  - Don't touch appliances or use the phone
  - Don't turn on any water faucets
  - Turn off the air conditioner
  - Close the curtains, blinds or shades

- What to do if you're outdoors
  - Find shelter in a building or car (NOT in a convertible)
  - Go to a low-lying place away from trees, poles or metal objects
  - If you're boating or swimming — get land and a shelter right away
  - If you're in the woods — find a low spot under the shorter trees

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Be Smart

1. If you are indoors, stay inside until the storm _ _ _ _ _ _ .
2. Don't use the _ _ _ _ _. Telephone lines conduct electricity.
3. Don't take a _ _ _ _ _ _ . Water can also carry electricity if lightning strikes near your home.
4. If you are outdoors, stay away from _ _ _ _ things like trees, towers and power poles. They can attract lightning.
5. If you are surrounded by trees, duck under the _ _ _ _ _ _ _ trees.
6. If you are outside in an open area, go to a _ _ _ lying place like a ditch.
7. Stay away from _ _ _ _ _ objects. They can attract lightning.
8. Make yourself _ _ _ _ _ by crouching down and putting your

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