

WINTER SKY INDEPENDENT INC TORNADO PROTOCOL

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Definitions

- Tornado Watch Indicates tornados are possible. Event staff must continue to monitor the situation.
- Tornado Warning Tornado siren sounds (including NWS phone alerts) signaling tornado sighted or tornado indicated by radar.

Guidelines/Procedures

- If a tornado warning is initiated, immediate event delay shall be implemented, and all participants, spectators, volunteers, and staff shall seek shelter immediately. Once inside a secure location, tune to local weather alert radio to be informed of the storm location, path, and duration of tornado warning.
- Warning may be extended, or a new warning issued at any time, so continue to monitor.
- Safe shelter from tornado inside lowest building level, away from exterior walls/windos, with windows closed.
- All Clear tornado warning will expire after duration specified by the National Weather Service and the director or designee will notify all involved that the warning has ended, and event may resume.