



## **FASTENAL<sup>®</sup>**

### **Your One-Stop Tornado Preparedness Source**

A tornado can devastate an area in mere minutes – which is about how long it takes to stock up on tornado survival basics at your local Fastenal store. Each of our 2,200+ locations is a convenient, one-stop source for everything you'll need to minimize injury, navigate the aftermath, and get back up and running. It's local, it's simple – and it just may be the smartest purchase you'll make this year.

#### **Tornado Preparedness Basics**

- **Prepare your facility** with basic safety monitoring items like carbon monoxide alarms, gas leak detectors, emergency lighting, etc. Designate someone to turn off gas, electricity and water when advised to do so by authorities.
- **Select a safe room** where employees can gather to avoid flying glass and debris (the leading cause of tornado-related injury). A basement is usually the best choice, but if you don't have one, opt for a center hallway, bathroom, or closet on the lowest floor.
- **Stock it with emergency basics**, including a first aid kit, canned food (w/opener), 3+ gallons of water per person, protective/weatherproof clothing, a battery-powered radio, and flashlights (w/extra batteries).
- **Be aware of the danger.** That includes understanding the difference between a "Tornado Watch" (i.e., a tornado is possible) and a "Tornado Warning" (i.e., a tornado has actually been spotted), monitoring the radio or TV for updates, and recognizing natural warning signs like a dark (often greenish) sky, large hail, a loud roar, a sudden lull in the wind, and/or a vast, dark, low-lying cloud.

#### **Did You Know?**

Tornadoes often come at the tail end of a passing storm. It's not uncommon to see sunshine and blue skies in the background.

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### Tools & Equipment

- Extension Cords
- Two-Way Radios
- Fire Extinguishers
- Generators
- Cordless Power Tools
- Chainsaws
- Chains
- Padlocks
- Shovels
- Wheelbarrows

### Essential Accessories

- Batteries
- Flashlights
- Duct Tape
- Hammers
- Screwdrivers
- Assorted Nails/Screws
- Tape Measures
- Utility Knives
- Pry Bars
- Tarps
- Tie Downs
- Bottled Water
- Hydration Products

### Essential Gear

- Safety Glasses
- Rain Jacket and Pants
- Slush Boots
- Gloves
- Disposable Garments

### Detection & Lighting

- Carbon Monoxide Alarms
- Gas Leak Detection
- Safety Gas Cans
- Glow Sticks
- Emergency Lights
- Head Lamps
- Glow in the Dark Signs
- Barricades & Cones

### Sanitation

- First Aid Kits
- Respirators
- Wipers
- Waste Receptacles
- Trash Bags
- Zip Ties
- Storage Containers
- Coolers
- Hand Sanitizers



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