

WINDSTORM

WINDSTORM - A storm with high winds or violent gusts but little or no rain.

Wind Advisory Terms

WIND SPEED	DESCRIPTION
<i>Up to 15mph</i>	Light / Light & Variable.
<i>15-25mph</i>	Breezy (in mild weather) or Brisk/Blustery (in cooler weather).
<i>25-31mph</i>	Windy. Large Branches in motion, whistling in telephone wires.
<i>32-39mph</i>	Very Windy. Whole trees in motion. Inconvenience felt walking against the wind.
<i>39-54mph</i>	High, Strong, Damaging or Dangerous Winds. Twigs break off branches. Wind impedes progress.
<i>55-73mph</i>	Damage to chimneys and TV antennas. Small and shallow rooted trees topple.
<i>74-112mph</i>	Peels surfaces off roofs; windows broken; mobile homes overturned; moving cars pushed off road.
<i>113-157mph</i>	Roofs torn off houses; cars lifted off ground.

Marine Advisory Terms

Special Marine Warning: Issued for a brief/sudden occurrence of sustained wind or frequent gusts greater than 34 knots, usually associated with thunderstorms.

MARINE ADVISORY	DESCRIPTION
<i>Small Craft Advisory:</i>	25-38 mph or 22-33 kt winds sustained at least 1 minute Seas up to 7' within 12 hours
<i>Gale Warning:</i>	39-54 mph or 37-47 kt winds
<i>Storm Warning:</i>	55-73 mph or 48-63 kt winds

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WHEN STRONG WINDS AFFECT THE AREA YOU ARE IN:

Follow the same precautions for high winds that you would for tornado:

At home, school or at work:

- Go to an interior hallway or small interior room, on the lowest floor, such as a bathroom or a closet.
- Stay out of structures with wide free-span roofs like auditoriums and gymnasiums.
- Avoid windows.
- Do not remain in a trailer or mobile home when high winds and strong gusts are present. Take cover in a sturdier building or in a ditch if possible.
- If you are in a high-rise building, go to the most interior rooms or hallways.

If you are in an automobile or outside:

- Seek cover in a nearby building, or lie flat in a ditch or ravine.
- Avoid seeking shelter under an overpass or bridge.

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