Preparing Your Property for High Winds

77% of tornadoes each year that have wind speeds less than 110 mph.

Source: National Climatic Data Center

Ooming allow air pressure to build up inside a structure like inflating a balloon. This puts internal pressure on the roof, and once the roof fails the entire structure can collapse within seconds.

How Are Tornadoes Rated?

The Enhanced Fujita scale (EF) scale is a set of wind estimations (not measurements) based on damage. It uses three-second gusts estimated at the point of damage.

Source: National Weather Service

EF 0: 0 - 65 mph
EF 1: 66 - 85 mph
EF 2: 86 - 110 mph
EF 3: 111 - 150 mph
EF 4: 156 - 200 mph
EF 5: 201+ mph

How You Can Prepare

Vegetation

Roof
Inspect your roof for any signs of damage. An already damaged roof can result in even more costly damage later. http://bit.ly/2fE5k

Build a Plan
Have a plan for where to go when a tornado forecasted and how to contact your loved ones. http://bit.ly/2fB9

Attached Structures
Secure, remove, secure, and other attached structures to minimize risk of significant damage to your home or business. http://bit.ly/2fB9

Stay Informed

How to Build a Home
Create a continuous level path means tying the roof to the walls and walls to foundation. Without these connections your house is vulnerable to a wind storm. http://bit.ly/2fA9

Additional information is available at DisasterSafety.org/Tornado