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TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS OF ILLINOIS RISK MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

RISK REMINDER

SPRING WEATHER SAFETY

When spring arrives, it's time to prepare for the severe weather that comes with it. Tornadoes, thunderstorms and windstorms can damage or destroy entire communities within minutes. This is a great time to review your Townships severe weather safety procedures.

Severe Weather Action Plan: The best defense when faced with severe weather warnings is preparedness. Pre-planning and familiarization with our existing emergency action plan will help to reduce potential problems in the event of a serious situation.

Please evaluate your current knowledge of our severe weather plan. See if you are able to answer the following questions:

1. Do you know when to evacuate your work area? How are emergencies communicated?
2. Do you know where the designated refuge spots are and how to proceed to those areas?
3. In the event of an evacuation do you have responsibilities for properly shutting down equipment or responsibility for critical processes?
4. How are you and other employees accounted for after an evacuation has occurred?
5. In the event of a medical emergency, who are the employees assigned rescue and medical duties?
6. What is the preferred means of reporting emergencies?
7. Who can you contact for additional information?



Remember, tornadoes develop from severe thunderstorms. They can develop rapidly and sometimes strike before warnings can be issued. They are usually preceded by very heavy rain and/or large hail. Remain alert to signs of an approaching tornado and seek shelter if threatening conditions exist.

Tornado Danger Signs:

Dark, often greenish sky
Cloud of blowing debris
Large hail

Calm wind, air that is very still
Loud roar, similar to a freight train

For more information, contact TOIRMA at (888) 562-7861

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