








Severe Weather Preparedness Week 2024

Missouri and Kansas

Missouri and Kansas Severe Weather Preparedness Week (SWPW) will be held the week of **March 4 to 8, 2024**. Each day of the work week will have a specific theme or topic to promote. These themes are:

Monday Receiving Information 	Wednesday Lightning Safety 	Tuesday Tornado Safety Statewide Tornado Drill 	Thursday Hail & Wind Safety 	Friday Flood Safety 
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This year's tornado drill will occur on **Wednesday, March 6 at 11:00 AM**. There will not be a backup date. We encourage you to promote this drill locally as an opportunity for schools, businesses and households to practice sheltering as if it were a real tornado. This year, in order to avoid confusing the public, we will not be sending out a live tornado warning on NOAA Weather Radio, but rather will send out a Routine Weekly Test (RWT) message with verbiage asking people to practice sheltering. We encourage you to sound your outdoor warning sirens as part of the drill as you may have done in the past. Please help us by publicizing this drill in advance in your community. We would enjoy seeing a picture of you participating in the drill!

Each National Weather Service office will have numerous social media posts throughout the week and we encourage your organization to share our posts, and/or develop your own using the schedule of daily themes above.

You can find preparedness information for the week online now at the following website:

weather.gov/sgf/SevereWeatherPreparednessWeek

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