Severe Storms Friday - Windy Friday Night

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FAST-MOVING STORMS WILL GIVE YOU LITTLE TIME TO SEEK SHELTER! HAVE A PLAN!

Key Messages

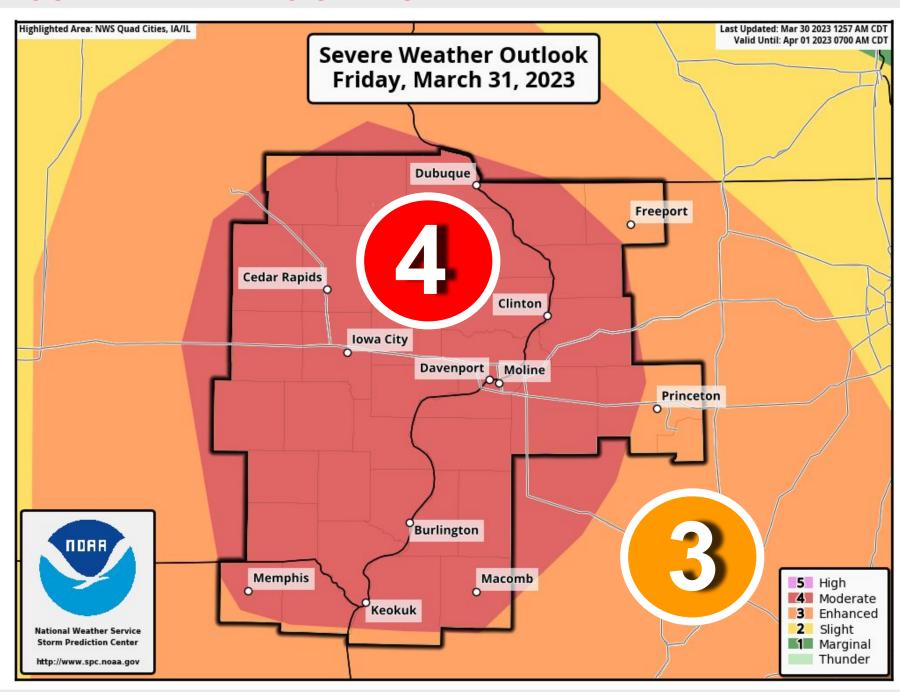
- Severe storms are expected Friday between 2 PM and 8 PM.
- The storms will be FAST-MOVING generally from the southwest to the northeast at OVER 50 MPH!
- Strong winds up to 45 mph are expected for Friday night.
- Temperatures will fall into the 30s and 40s Friday night.

NEW What Has Changed

 The Storm Prediction Center has UPGRADED to a MODERATE risk (level 4 out of 5, with 5 the highest) for severe storms in much of our area.

Next Scheduled Update

• 5 PM Thursday





Approximate Timing of Severe Storms

Timing



2 PM - 8 PM

Actions



Be weather aware and ready to act!

Have multiple ways to receive warning information!

Severe Threats



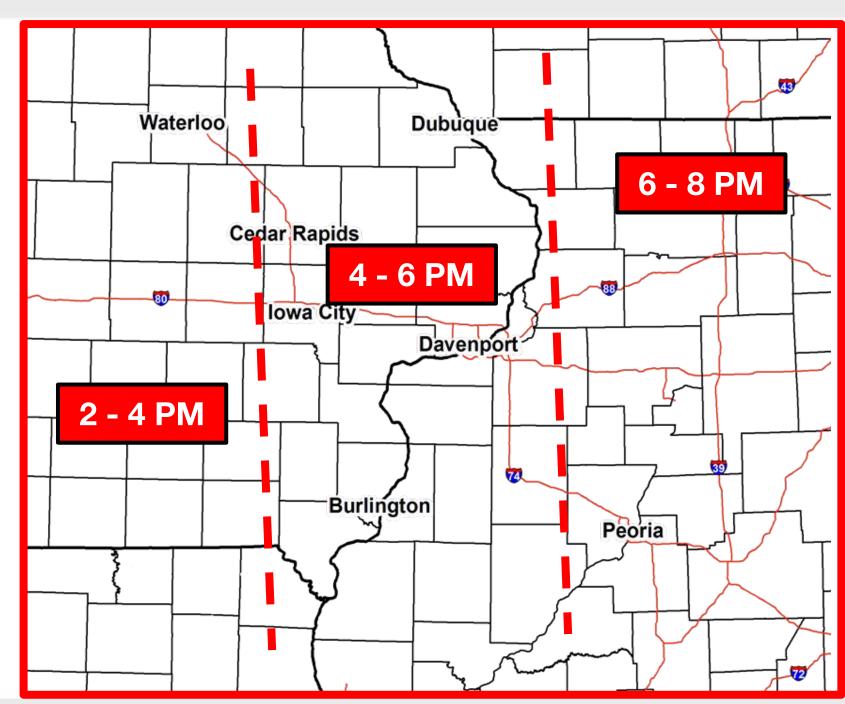
Damaging Winds
Up to 70 MPH



Tornadoes Some strong tornadoes possible



Large Hail
Up to ping pong ball sized



STORM PLANNING TIMELINE

A few days out

If the forecast calls for severe weather in a few days, start preparing now.



Make sure that you have emergency supplies



Know your safe places



Have a family communication plan

The day before

The day before, forecast accuracy continues to improve.



Adjust plans



Make sure your phone can receive WEAs



Ensure your shelter is clean and accessible

The day of

Remain vigilant and aware of any active Watches. A Warning may be issued at a moment's notice!



Remind your family of the communication plan



Know how to evacuate and/or get to safety from wherever you are



When a Warning is issued, you may only have seconds to take action!



Tornado Sheltering Guidelines

Seek the best available refuge area immediately when a Tornado Warning is issued.

Your chance of surviving a tornado is excellent if you follow these guidelines.

WORST OPTIONS

BAD OPTIONS

GOOD OPTIONS

BEST OPTIONS

Mobile homes

Vehicles

Underneath a highway overpass Large open rooms like gymnasiums

Manufactured housing

Interior room
of a well-constructed
home or building

Basement

Above or below ground Tornado Storm Shelter (NSSA/ICC 500 compliant)*

Specifically-designed FEMA Safe Room*

Find another option

MIT

Stay in place until all clear



Know Where to Go

When Sheltering from a Tornado

Top floor rooms DO NOT protect you.

If you have no basement, move to an interior room with no windows.

Exterior rooms and rooms with windows DO NOT protect you.

Quickly move to your basement and bring your emergency supply kit.



NO PLACE OUTSIDE is safe from a tornado.



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