

HAIL STORM

Hail is common during severe thunderstorms. While it may not last long, hail can cause significant damage in a short period of time. Follow the tips below to stay safe during a hail storm.

Before the Storm

- Check the weather forecast daily and prepare yourself for possible storms.
- Move vehicles into a garage or covered area to prevent damage.

During the Storm

- Seek shelter indoors. If shelter is not available, crouch down and protect your head and neck with your arms. Use a jacket, backpack or other belongings to protect your body.
- Avoid tall objects like trees, towers, or poles, or areas that can fill with water like culverts or ditches.
- Stay away from windows, glass doors, or skylights.
- Close window coverings to protect yourself from broken glass and flying debris.

If you are Driving

- Pull over to a safe location and turn your hazard lights on.
- If able, angle your vehicle so that hail hits the reinforced windshield instead of the side and back windows.
- Position your body and passengers towards the middle of the vehicle, as far away from the windows as possible.
- Use blankets, clothing, or other supplies to protect your head and neck if hail breaks through the windows.
- Do not exit your vehicle until the hail stops.
- Avoid flooded roads.

After the Storm

- Proceed outside with caution as the hail may have damaged structures, trees, etc.
- Clean up debris.
- Report any damage to your manager/supervisor/maintenance department.