

City of Fairfax

High Wind Safety Checklist



High Wind Advisory/Watch

- Hazardous sustained winds and damaging wind gusts up to 46-58 mph are expected within 24 hours. Sustained winds of at least 40 mph or gusts of 58 mph or stronger may occur.
- Monitor NOAA Weather Radio or local radio/TV weather broadcasts and be prepared to take protective measures should a warning be issued.
- Review your family disaster plan.
- Avoid working in unsecured places, especially at heights.
- Secure or bring inside any loose items that could be affected by high winds.
- Secure doors and windows.
- Watch for flying debris such as tree limbs, building materials, and street signs.
- Make sure you have disaster supply kits available.
 - For information on how to build a kit visit www.fairfaxva.gov/EM/EM.asp
- Be prepared for widespread power outages.

High Wind Warning

- Damaging sustained winds of 40 mph or higher for one hour or more and wind gusts over 58 mph for one hour or more are expected within 24 hours.
- Take protective measures immediately.
- If able, complete advisory/watch checklist.
- Stay away from windows and doors.
- Watch for flying debris such as tree limbs, building materials, and street signs.
- Expect widespread power outages.
- Avoid downed electrical lines and anything that may be touching downed lines.
- Continue to monitor your NOAA Weather Radio or local radio/TV weather broadcasts for updated information.



For more information on disaster and emergency preparedness, visit <https://www.fairfaxva.gov/government/emergency-management>

