

LIGHTNING SAFETY

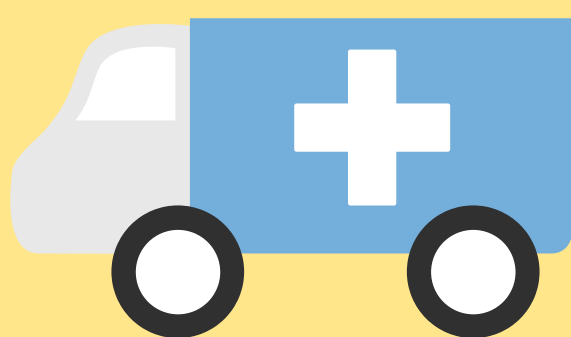


What you need to know to keep you, your family, and your home safe.

276 DEATHS

people have died from lightning, since 2009. Twenty people were killed in 2018.

Source: National Lightning Safety Council



OUTDOORS



Seek shelter immediately. Head to your car. If no shelter is available, crouch low minimizing your contact with the ground. Avoid tall trees, open fields, and hilltops.

Unplug electronics such as corded phones, TVs, etc. Avoid concrete floors and walls. Bring pets indoors.

INDOORS



PROTECT YOUR HOME



Install a lightning protection system, which directs strikes to the ground rather than your home. Consider installing conductors for these systems on any tall trees near your home.

REMEMBER THE 30-30 RULE

After you see lightning, start counting. If you can't reach the number 30 before you hear thunder, seek shelter immediately. Stay inside for 30 minutes after thunder strikes.

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