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SEVERE WEATHER SAFETY TRAINING

Severe weather safety training

Lightning, high wind, heavy rain, flooding and your emergency plan

About 45 minutes, with a 10-question quiz

35 slides | About 45 minutes | 10-question quiz | English + Spanish

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Watch or warning: know the difference

Watch: get ready	→	Warning: act now
Conditions are right for severe weather to develop	→	Severe weather is happening or about to
Keep an eye on the sky and on alerts	→	Stop work right away
Review where you will shelter and how to get there	→	Go straight to the assigned shelter
Secure loose material early	→	Check in for the headcount
Plan to stop work at height and lifts if it builds	→	Stay put until the all-clear

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Crew handout

Severe weather: stop, shelter, check

29 CFR 1926.21, 1910.38, 1926.451, 1926.1417, 1926.651, 1926.1053

Do

- Check the forecast before the shift and know who is watching the alerts
- Know your shelter and the fastest way to get there
- Stop work and go to shelter at the first thunder
- Tie down or bring in sheets, panels and tarps before the wind picks up
- Check in for the headcount every time
- Treat downed power lines as live, stay clear and report them
- Wait for the competent person's check before going back into a trench after a storm
- Call 911 for anyone struck by lightning; they are safe to touch

Don't

- Don't keep working on roofs, scaffolds, steel or equipment when you hear thunder
- Don't shelter in open sheds, tents, portable toilets or under trees
- Don't work on a scaffold during storms or high winds unless a competent person has determined it is safe and you are protected by fall arrest or wind screens
- Don't use a ladder on a slippery surface unless it is secured or has slip-resistant feet
- Don't drive or walk through flood water
- Don't go back out alone to search for a missing coworker; report it

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Remember **When thunder roars, go indoors, and nobody restarts until the site has been checked.**

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