



National Weather Service

Definitions for New York State



WIND

WIND ADVISORY: sustained wind speeds of 31 to 39 mph lasting for one hour or longer or for wind gusts of 46 to 57 mph for any duration are **expected**.

HIGH WIND WATCH: sustained wind speeds of 40 mph or greater lasting for one hour or longer or for wind gusts of 58 mph or greater and/or widespread damage are **possible**.

HIGH WIND WARNING: sustained wind speeds of 40 mph or greater lasting for one hour or longer or for wind gusts of 58 mph or greater for any duration and/or widespread damage are **expected**.

When the Wind Blows

High winds can create dangerous fallen or blowing objects.

Identify an interior room in your house or at work that you can take shelter in during high wind warnings.

Head Inside Immediately

If you are driving and aren't near a sturdy building, hold the steering wheel with both hands and slow down.

Keep a distance from high profile vehicles.

Be Careful on the Road

Stay Clear of Hazards From Above

Stay Clear of Trees

Beware of Loose Outdoor Items

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