

St. Clairsville Police Department



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Outdoor Warning Siren Activation Guidelines

Outdoor Warning Siren(s) shall be activated under the following criteria by either St. Clairsville Police Department or Cumberland Trail Fire District:

1. Tornado Warning issued by the National Weather Service (NWS), naming the City of St. Clairsville in which the siren is located.
2. Tornado or Funnel cloud observed by public safety personnel with imminent threat to the City of St. Clairsville in which the siren is located.
3. Request of activation by the Police or Fire Chief or the Belmont County Emergency Management Coordinator **ONLY**.
4. Severe Thunderstorm Warning issued by the NWS for the specific community in which the siren is located, **AND** forecasted or verified conditions of 70 mph winds or greater, or half-dollar size (1.25") hail or greater.
5. Testing will be 1st Monday of each month at 12:00 Noon.
6. Sirens should be sounded for 3 to 5 minutes, re-sounding for the duration of the threat every 10 – 15 minutes is recommended.
7. There will be **NO** all clear signal from outdoor warning sirens.