

Public Warning Siren

The Public Warning Siren operated by Cumby Vol. Fire Department is designed to warn the population outdoors of impending severe weather threats. The system is not designed to be heard inside your home or business, although the siren may be heard in your home or business within the City of Cumby or the immediate surrounding area.

When inclement weather is prevalent you are responsible for your own protection by staying informed of impending hazards. Weather alert radios, local television, local radio stations and other media sources should be used to monitor severe weather events. **DO NOT DEPEND ON THE WARNING SIREN AS YOUR ONLY MEANS OF NOTIFICATION OF SEVERE WEATHER THREATS.**

Criteria for activation of the Warning Siren system shall include:

- * When a **Tornado Warning** has been issued by the National Weather Service and there is an indication that the City of Cumby and immediate surrounding area is in the path of the storm. ~or~
- * When the City of Cumby is in the projected path of a storm where a tornado, high winds in excess of 70 mph, or damaging hail (1.5" in diameter or greater) have caused demonstrable damage in an adjacent city or county. ~or~
- * When a funnel cloud is spotted in proximity to the City of Cumby or the immediate surrounding area by trained weather spotters.

If any of the above criteria has been confirmed through the use of local resources the siren shall be activated. When the siren has been activated a **5 MINUTE STEADY TONE** shall sound.

The system will be tested on the first Wednesday of each month at 12 noon. During severe weather threat days the test will not be performed.

Cumby Volunteer Fire Department