

Emergency Warning Sirens

In the event of a city-wide emergency, the City will make every effort to publicize the necessary information to the residents. During an emergency situation or a weather alert we will activate the city sirens to warn residents of potential dangers and hazards. The Emergency Warning System is tested on the first Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. In addition, we expect Everbridge to go active this year. This will allow us to contact you individually by phone, email or text.

The Crowley Fire Department has three types of warning devices used to warn residents of a potential safety threat. These include:

Outdoor Warning Sirens: The City of Crowley has five Outdoor Warning Sirens that are designed to warn the public that an emergency exists. Upon activation, sirens will sound for three minutes. Citizens should seek shelter and monitor a radio or television for essential information. These sirens are not intended to be heard within a building or vehicle. Sirens will be tested on the first Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m., unless the weather conditions are heavily overcast, raining or may be misunderstood for a severe weather event.

Alert Radio: NOAA Weather Radio provides messages about current weather conditions 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Certain radios may be set up to only alert for Specific Area Message Encoding (SAME).

Everbridge: Allows us to contact you via cellphone, home phone, email, fax, Twitter or Facebook. (You can sign up for Everbridge on the city's website at www.ci.crowley.tx.us)

Procedures Used for the Activation of Warning Systems

Outdoor Warning Sirens:

National Weather Service issues a Tornado Warning for Tarrant County.

Tornado activity has been reported in Southern Tarrant County by a reliable source (public safety agency, storm spotter, etc.).

Winds sustained in excess of 60 mph or greater.

Hail in excess of 1 inch reported in the area by a reliable source.

Alert Radio:

The National Weather Service controls the alert radio system and provides 24/7 weather broadcasts.

Upon hearing a warning or NOAA weather radio or outdoor warning sirens, residents should seek shelter and additional information from television news, weather radio, or other radio station. Do not go outside to view cloud formation or current conditions. Tornado activity can happen within a matter of minutes.