

## CAU Public Safety Alert: Lightning Safety Tips

Lightning is one of nature's most powerful and dangerous forces. To ensure your safety during thunderstorms, please follow these important guidelines:

- 1. Seek Shelter Immediately:**
  - If you hear thunder, lightning is close enough to strike. Go indoors or seek shelter in a hard-topped vehicle.
  - Avoid open areas like fields, parking lots, or beaches.
- 2. Avoid Conductive Materials:**
  - Stay away from water, including pools, lakes, and rivers.
  - Don't hold metal objects such as golf clubs, fishing rods, or umbrellas.
- 3. Stay Away From Windows:**
  - Do not touch windows or doors during a storm. Lightning can strike through glass or travel through electrical systems.
- 4. Unplug Electronics:**
  - Electrical appliances, including computers and TVs, can attract lightning. Unplug them to prevent damage and reduce the risk of shock.
- 5. Do Not Use Landline Phones:**
  - Avoid using corded phones, as lightning can travel through phone lines. Use a mobile phone instead if necessary.
- 6. Wait Until the Storm Passes:**
  - Remain indoors for at least 30 minutes after the last sound of thunder.
- 7. If Outdoors and No Shelter Is Available:**
  - Avoid tall objects like trees and poles.
  - Crouch down with your feet together, making yourself as small a target as possible, but never lie flat on the ground.

**Remember:** "When thunder roars, go indoors!" Your safety is our priority.

Stay alert, stay safe!

