

**SAFEST**

WHEN THUNDER ROARS, GO INDOORS.  
Stay inside until 30 minutes after  
the rumble of thunder.

**NOT SAFE**

Standing under a tree  
or in a wide-open  
space is extremely  
dangerous.

**SAFE**

The metal shell of hard-topped  
metal vehicles does provide  
protection to those inside a vehicle  
with the windows closed.

### What You Need to Know

- NO PLACE outside is safe when thunderstorms are in the area!!
- If you can hear thunder you are close enough to a storm to be in danger of being struck by lightning. Lightning can travel 10 to 12 miles from a thunderstorm.
- When you hear thunder, immediately move to safe shelter: a substantial building with electricity or plumbing or an enclosed, metal-topped vehicle with windows up.
- Do you know what to do if you receive a thunderstorm watch or thunderstorm warning? Visit [www.ready.pa.gov](http://www.ready.pa.gov) to find out!

### Last Resort: Outdoor Risk Reduction Tips

- Keep moving towards safe shelter. If you are caught out in the open, do not stop.
- Avoid open fields, hills, rocky outcrops, and ridge tops. Do not lie flat on the ground.
- Avoid bodies of water and metal objects, which can conduct electricity.