

2019 Emergency Weather Warning Siren Test Dates

Listed below is the audible test schedule for 2019. If severe or threatening weather exists on any of these scheduled dates, the test will be the next day (Tuesday) at the same time.

- **Monday, March 25, 1 p.m.** - Make-up date – Tuesday, March 26, at 1 p.m.
- **Thursday, April 11, 1:45 p.m. and 6:45 p.m.** - Make-up date – Friday, April 12, at 1:45 p.m. and 6:45 p.m.
- **Monday, May 20, 1 p.m.** - Make-up date – Tuesday, May 21, at 1 p.m.
- **Monday, June 24, 1 p.m.** - Make-up date – Tuesday, June 25, 1 p.m.
- **Monday, July 22, 1 p.m.** – Make-up date - Tuesday, July 23, at 1 p.m.
- **Monday, August 26, 1 p.m.** – Make-up date - Tuesday, August 27, at 1 p.m.
- **Monday, September 23, 1 p.m.** – Make-up date – Tuesday, September 24, at 1 p.m.

River Falls Police Department on duty staff monitor developing weather conditions and initiate activation of the weather sirens based on the following protocol:

- a) when conditions exist that indicate immediate danger of a tornado or severe thunderstorm with dangerous winds of 70 mph or above;
- b) if the weather service announces a tornado or severe thunderstorm warning with dangerous winds of 70 mph or above and such conditions are threatening locally;
- c) if storm conditions exist and public and/or law enforcement sightings of a tornado are reported locally.

It is important to remember the City of River Falls **does not** sound an “all clear” after an actual activation of the outdoor warning system.

Community members are encouraged to familiarize themselves with safe practices regarding severe weather. Information can be obtained at the National Weather Service website at: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/safety.php> or Wisconsin Emergency Management website at: <https://dma.wi.gov/DMA/wem> or by calling the River Falls Police Department.