



# Reporting Tip Sheet

## **How to Report**

- Amateur radio network (if applicable)
- By phone at 1-800-444-WARN (9276)
- Email at [storm.ontario@ec.gc.ca](mailto:storm.ontario@ec.gc.ca)

## **What Your Report Should Contain**

- Who – your name, CANWARN ID, contact number
- Where – your location and approx. location of what you are reporting
- What – describe what are witnessing/what you witnessed
- When – time of occurrence of event and duration
- Movement – where phenomenon came from and where it is going

## **What to Report – Spring/Summer**

- Hail (use coins to describe size...dime, nickel, quarter, loonie for larger hail...golf ball etc..)
- Heavy rain that has resulted in local flooding
- Damaging winds (damage from tree branches down to more significant tree or structural damage)
- Large scale rotation in a thunderstorm
- Wall Cloud
- Funnel Cloud
- Waterspout
- Tornado
- Dense fog – visibility less than 1 km

Note: if unsure of rotation or presence of wall cloud or funnel cloud...watch area for a few minutes if safe to do so to verify situation

## **What to Report – Fall/Winter**

- Dense fog – visibility less than 1 km
- Any occurrence of freezing rain or freezing drizzle
- Heavily accumulation snow (2 or more cm/hr)
- Whiteout conditions in snow/blowing snow (visibility near zero)
- Rapid freezing of water on road surfaces