

## **SHELTER IN PLACE**

As part of the East Zorra-Tavistock Emergency Management program, this year we are promoting "Shelter in Place", a preventive action designed to protect the public against chemical releases, warn of impending severe weather (tornado) or a general alert of a major fire within the immediate area.

So... what is "Shelter in Place"? It is the command given to the public and it means to go inside the nearest shelter and close all windows and doors and tune into local radio stations for further instructions. In some instances you may be requested to shut off all ventilation and heating systems.

If you live in the village of Tavistock, you may hear the air siren. In Hickson, Innerkip and other areas, you may hear a warning broadcasted via police or fire vehicles. Our community is a safe place to live, but a serious incident affecting health and safety can happen anywhere at anytime. It is our intent to educate our citizens so they can protect themselves in the event of a serious occurrence.



### **Tavistock Village Siren**

Our community is a safe place to live, but a serious incident affecting health and safety can happen anywhere at any time. It could be a major fire or chemical spill or a natural occurrence, like a tornado.

To help notify our residents in these instances, the Tavistock Fire Department has installed an air siren in the Fire Hall on Woodstock Street South in the village.

When you hear the siren you are instructed to go indoors immediately and remain there. Close all windows and doors. In some cases you may be requested to turn off heating and ventilation systems.

Tune into local radio stations for further instructions

CJCS 1240 AM Heart 104.7 FM CKDK 103.9 FM CHYM 96.7 AM

## When you hear the siren:

- ➤ Go indoors immediately
- Close windows and doors
- ➤ Listen to your local radio stations

#### Examples for the use of the siren include:

- > Severe Weather
- Gas Line Leak
- > Chemical Release
- > Transportation Accident
- Missing Person

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# Emergencies occur without warning. Don't wait to find out how unprepared you are. Think about it NOW

Every home or business should have an emergency survival kit....does yours??

#### **Emergency Survival Kit**

Flashlight

Battery operated radio

Spare batteries

First-aid kit

Candles and matches/lighter

Extra car keys and cash

Copies of important documents/ identification for each family member

Non-perishable food and bottled water

Clothing and footwear (one change of clothes per person)

Blankets or sleeping bag

Toilet paper and other personal hygiene supplies (soap, toothbrush, etc)

Medication/eyewear/other important health aides

List of important names and phone numbers

Pet food

Backpack/duffel bag (to store kit items in)

Whistle (to call for help)

Playing cards, games

