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3705.01 Siren Testing

An audible test of the outdoor storm sirens shall be conducted at noon on the first Saturday of each month, weather permitting.

The audible test shall be conducted for a period of one minute.

3705.02 Activation Criteria

The outdoor storm sirens will be activated in the following events:

1. Severe thunderstorm warning with sustained winds of 75 mph or greater issued by the National Weather Service for Jasper County, including the City of Carthage
2. Tornado warning issued by the National Weather Service for Jasper County, including the City of Carthage, or when receiving a report from a trained spotter of a funnel or tornado sighted in or approaching Carthage

Outdoor storm sirens will only be activated at the direction of the Fire Chief or his designee.

3705.03 Duration of Activation

When activated for an actual weather event, the siren will consist of one steady tone for a period of three (3) minutes.

A second siren activation will occur if the initial warning was more than ten (10) minutes prior to the weather systems' arrival to Carthage.

No all clear will be given.

3705.04 Notification of Outdoor Storm Siren Activation

The following personnel shall be notified as soon as applicable after the activation of outdoor storm sirens:

1. Fire Chief (in the event of his absence)
2. Battalion Chief's
3. Carthage Police Department
4. Carthage City Mayor
5. Carthage City Administrator

3705.05 Activation of Outdoor Storm Sirens

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