

# TIPS

## Lightning Strikes

A lightning strike can happen in half a second and can heat the surrounding air to over 50,000 degrees fahrenheit.

Steps you can take to protect you and your home....



- \*Stay off the phone - Phone use is the leading cause of indoor lightning injuries.
- \*Stay away from any sources of water - sinks, showers, bathtubs, pools - lightning can travel through plumbing.
- \*Avoid using washers and dryers.
- \*Stay away from doors and windows.
- \*Stay off computers and other electrical devices (anything that puts you in direct contact with electricity).
- \*Unplug any appliances that are not in use. Use surge protectors but do not rely on them.
- \*Do not go outside for 30 minutes after the last thunder is heard - lightning can strike from 10 miles away.

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