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Severe weather reports Joe Goudsward

Arkansans have long experienced just about all Mother Nature can throw at us, from tornadoes to ice storms and everything else in between. In order to issue both timely and accurate watches and warnings, the NWS uses a team of dedicated weather enthusiasts to report real time weather information to us.

Storm spotters are trained to recognize severe weather before it occurs. While we use our spotter network extensively, we welcome any report. Remember severe weather is not just restricted to spring and summer,



it can and does occur at any time of the year. We also like to get reports of winter weather such as heavy snow or ice. To provide real time reports, call us at : **1-501-834-0308**. We are staffed around the clock to take your report.

Please give your location as precisely as you can and as much information about the severe weather that's occurring. The form below may be filled in and used if you want. Make numerous copies to use if you wish. You do not have to keep the form after you use it. Please relay your report as soon as you can safely do so; it is needed to

issue new warnings or monitor existing ones. Do not assume we know about it already and therefore are not interested in your report; we are always looking for more information. Yours could be the first report we receive.

While we prefer real time reports, this is not always possible. If your report must be delayed, please pass it along as soon as you can. It is still very valuable. If your report is more than 2 hours old, you can still call it in or file it on our Internet site:



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Your Name (optional) _____
 Your Location _____
 Type of Storm _____
 Location of Storm _____
 Time of Storm _____
 Movement of Storm _____
 Damage _____