

## \*Other Considerations

Our safe rooms and storm shelters are designed and manufactured by U.S. Storm Shelters, LLC to meet or exceed the construction standards and recommendations of FEMA-320 Third Edition, ICC-500-208 and the 2009 International Building Code.

U.S. Storm Shelters, LLC is a Producing Member of the American Tornado Shelter Association. Serial numbered seals and certificates are included at no additional charge for shelters installed under grant programs.

Building permits, rock breaking, sales tax and delivery fees are all additional if applicable. If local building permits are required, you will need to obtain them from your municipality.

## Tornado Myths

**MYTH:** Areas near rivers, lakes, and mountains are safe from tornadoes.

**FACT:** No terrain is safe from tornadoes. In the late 1980's, a tornado swept through Yellowstone National Park leaving a path of destruction up and down a 10,000 ft. mountain.

**MYTH:** The low pressure with a tornado causes buildings to "explode" as the tornado passes overhead.

**FACT:** Violent winds and debris slamming into buildings cause most structural damage.

**MYTH:** Windows should be opened before a tornado approaches to equalize pressure and minimize damage.

**FACT:** Opening windows allows damaging winds to enter the structure. Leave the windows alone; instead, immediately go to a basement, interior room, or bathroom without windows. - or better yet...a safe room or storm shelter!

For more information on tornadoes visit:

<http://www.nssl.noaa.gov/edu/safety/tornadoguide.html>



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## Safe Rooms & Storm Shelters

Starting At Only

**\$2,795.00\***

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**FEMA / ICC-500 / IBC Compliant Shelters  
Safety Tested and Certified**

## The Original - **\$4,295.00\***

Shelter for 12 People

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The 6'x8' Original is our most popular shelter constructed of 6,500 PSI "self healing" concrete with fibermesh and 3/8" rebar on 9 to 12 inch centers running both directions throughout. This unit has two vents and comes with a 3 latch, 4 hinge reinforced, powder coated steel door as well as a powder coated steel stair case with dual handrails. The Original offers protection for up to 12 people but has sheltered many more in historic tornadoes.

The interior height of this shelter is slightly over 6'2". It is installed 5 ft. into the ground with approx. 2 ft. remaining above grade. The above grade portion is mounded on 3 sides using the dirt from the excavation of the hole. Although they do not come pre-wired for electricity or phone, utilities can be added following installation by either the homeowner or a licensed electrician.

The Original is a time tested design that has withstood the most severe tornadoes on record with estimated wind speeds as high as 318 MPH. They can be found in residential, commercial and government / military installations.

The Original shelter, when mounded, can take up a total surface area of 18'x22' once installed and mounded. If space or equipment access is a limitation on your property, you may wish to consider one of our safe rooms as an alternative.

## Standard Safe Rooms

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U.S. Safe Rooms are designed for installation (without remodeling) in any existing home, building or garage constructed on a concrete slab foundation. With an exterior height of 7 ft, these units are designed to fit easily into buildings with 8 ft or higher ceilings.

Each U.S. Safe Room is constructed of 8" wide steel "C" channels bolted into 1/4" angle steel frames. The wall and roof design provides two 2 1/4" reinforcement ribs every 8" throughout the entire unit including the roof and door. The floor frame is anchored to your foundation using a series of 1/2" diameter Hilti® building anchors.

**4' x 4' - \$4,795.00\***  
**4' x 5' - \$5,195.00\***  
**4' x 6' - \$5,995.00\***  
**4' x 8' - \$7,195.00\***  
**6' x 6' - \$7,195.00\***  
**6' x 8' - \$8,395.00\***  
**8' x 8' - \$9,595.00\***

Doors open to the interior to prevent debris blockage following a storm. Our safe rooms arrive at your home disassembled allowing them to be easily carried through doorways/hallways and installed wherever you have space. They are erected from the inside out and can be installed in corners, against walls and inside of closets. Safe rooms offer easy access from inside your home and can move with you if you chose to relocate. Standard safe rooms come with an interior LED tap light and identically keyed dual Kwikset® deadbolt locks.

Lead time ranges from 4 to 6 weeks on larger units depending on seasonal demand, however, we may have the size you want in stock. Please call for current inventory. A 20% deposit is required to begin fabrication. Custom sizes are available.

## Mighty Mite Safe Rooms

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Over the years we have had many requests for a very small, very basic safe room that could fit in the space of most coat closets and still deliver the safety of our largest tornado shelters. Now there is an option for the smallest of spaces that beats a bathtub and a mattress hands down...

Designed for rugged protection with the same materials and EF-5 certification as our larger shelters, the Mighty Mite offers excellent safety inside your home at a very affordable price.

**MM1 - 26.5" x 38.5" - \$2,795.00\* - 2 Person**  
**MM2 - 33.5" x 46.5" - \$3,595.00\* - 3 Person**  
**MM3 - 38.5" x 50.5" - \$3,995.00\* - 4 Person**

Mighty Mite safe rooms are anchored with the same Hilti® system used on our larger, full size safe rooms. All capacities above are adults standing.

Due to their small size, Mighty Mite doors open to the exterior which is a departure from our larger safe rooms. Because of this design requirement, each unit comes standard with an emergency exit wrench stored inside the shelter allowing occupants to remove any wall/roof panel from the interior should the door become blocked by debris following a storm.

When closed, the door is secured for storms using three tubular steel cross bars set into a system of welded brackets. For secure storage and panic room function, the Mighty Mite has dual Kwikset® deadbolt locks. All safe rooms come standard with an interior LED light.