



# Emergency Notification (Alerts) Options

All are FREE to get except the last one.



**Smart911®**



Smart 911 is used by the Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA) to alert you of local emergencies that are dangerous. It also allows 911 centers to call or alert you to special emergencies like staying at home ('shelter in place') or leave home ('evacuation') orders. Set up your own account through <https://www.smart911.com/smart911/ref/login.action?pa=delaware>

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**NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE**

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION

National Weather Service (NWS) sends you text alerts for most serious weather related warnings and other special alerts. Earthquake alerts are not included (see USGS below). You do not have to do anything to sign up as it is automatic with your phone service. Weather apps also do the same thing.



United States Geological Survey (USGS) alerts you to earthquakes in your area. Register for an account at <https://earthquake.usgs.gov/ens/>



**FEMA**

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has an app for smartphones. It works without phone service. Wi-fi (Internet) access is needed. It also helps locate emergency shelters during or after big disasters (emergencies). Download the [Apple and/or Android] app at <https://www.fema.gov/about/news-multimedia/mobile-products#download>.



Midland Alert Weather Radio with Vibrator wakes you up while sleeping. It is one of the few bed shaker or strobe options for Deaf or Hard of Hearing people. It uses the NWS/NOAA alerts (see above). These machines are NOT free to buy. You can purchase them from Hear-More or Diglo (formerly Harris Communications) or elsewhere.

**DHSS Delaware Health and Social Services**

**IRI Independent Resources, Inc.**  
Unlocking the potential of Delawareans with disabilities

Delaware  
Office for  
the Deaf  
and Hard  
of Hearing



**Developed by the Delaware Access Functional Needs group**

<https://dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dph/php/prepindntfn.html>