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Sec. 28-5-1. Public warning signals

The public warning signals for an official state civil defense operation or test operation conducted pursuant to Chapter 517 of the general statutes are: (1) Alert signal: A steady blast of three to five minutes on sirens, whistles, horns, or similar devices; (2) Take cover signal: A wailing tone or short blasts for three minutes on sirens, whistles, horns or similar devices.

Sec. 28-5-2. Cover defined

Cover is defined as a place of shelter from bombs or shellfire, or atomic, radiological, chemical, biological or bacteriological weapons or processes, including but not restricted to designated civil defense shelter areas.

Sec. 28-5-3. Requirement on take cover signal

Upon the sounding of the take cover signal, all persons except authorized civil defense personnel and other duly constituted authority mobilized for purposes of civil defense shall take cover.

Sec. 28-5-4. Taking cover in absence of signal

In the event of the failure of or absence of the take cover signal in an area subject to an official state civil defense operation or test operation, all persons except authorized civil defense personnel and other duly constituted authority mobilized for purposes of civil defense shall take cover when so directed by authorized civil defense personnel or other duly constituted authority mobilized for purposes of civil defense.

Sec. 28-5-5. Authority of personnel

During an official state civil defense operation or test operation, authorized civil defense personnel or other duly constituted authority mobilized for purposes of civil defense may direct any person to cover and from any one place of cover to another place of cover.

Sec. 28-5-6. Leaving cover prohibited, when

No person other than authorized civil defense personnel and other duly constituted authority mobilized for purposes of civil defense shall leave a place of cover during an official state civil defense operation or test operation unless permitted or directed to leave such place of cover by authorized civil defense personnel or other duly constituted authority mobilized for purposes of civil defense.