

MENOMINEE COUNTY TORNADO GUIDE (1950-2023)

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Event	Date			Time		EF	Width	Path
#	Month	Day	Year	(CST)	Start / End Location	Rank	(Yards)	(Miles)
1	9	28	1971	16:00-17:20	Hewitt (Marathon Co) - near Mountain	2	300	78.4
2	4	27	1984	14:55-15:40	Union (Waupaca Co) - Legend Lake	3	440	32.0
3	6	7	2007	15:32-15:48	4 W - 9.4 W Zoar Settlement	2	700	12.7

Event 1: September 28, 1971

The second F3 tornado developed over the town of Hewitt northeast of Wausau in Marathon County around 4 PM CST. The town hall and four barns were destroyed in Hewitt. The tornado continued east northeast into Langlade County, passing about 6 miles south of Antigo and moved across the extreme northwest corner of Menominee County just south of White Lake. The tornado moved into Oconto County near Mountain, and then into Marinette County to Middle Inlet where the tornado dissipated around 5:20 PM CST. The tornado traveled 78 miles and reached a maximum width of 300 yards. The most severe damage occurred at Mountain where damage to buildings and trailers were estimated at \$200,000 dollars. Extensive damage to property and trees was reported in the Boulder Lake area where the lake level was reported to have dropped 5 inches. One person was injured at White Lake and four injuries were noted at Mountain, none seriously.

Event 2: April 27, 1984

Another F3 tornado touched down on April 27th in Union township in Waupaca County around 2:55 PM CST. The tornado skipped north northeast to Legend Lake in Menominee County where the tornado dissipated around 3:40 PM CST. The tornado traveled 32 miles and reached a maximum width of 440 yards. Damage occurred to 41 homes and cabins, 5 barns, 19 garages and sheds as well as several hundred acres of forest. The hardest hit areas were around Marion in Waupaca County, the town of Pella in Shawano County, and the South Branch-Legend Lake areas of Menominee County. Overall, there were six tornadoes on this date across north central and northeast Wisconsin. The strongest tornado (F4) occurred across Winnebago and Outagamie Counties around the same time these two tornadoes occurred. Across the state of Wisconsin, there were ten tornadoes reported on this date.

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Event 3: June 7, 2007



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Fast moving supercell thunderstorms with damaging winds, hail larger than 5 inches in diameter, and tornadoes ripped across central and northeast Wisconsin on June 7, 2007. Five tornadoes touched down in central and northeast Wisconsin.

Map of northeast Wisconsin and tornado tracks. Not denoted on the map is an area of straight-line wind damage in the Thunder Mountain area of western Marinette County, caused by the same supercell that produced the long-track tornado.

Menominee-Langlade-Oconto Counties Long-Track Tornado

A long-track EF3 tornado touched down at 3:31 PM CST east of Mattoon in Shawano County and continued northeast to the Oconto-Marinette County line. The tornado was on the ground for at least 40 miles and was over 1/2 mile wide at times. Over 14,000 acres of trees were snapped or flattened, and many dozens of buildings were damaged or destroyed. The twister was rated an EF3 on the Enhanced Fujita scale, with estimated winds of 140 to 160 mph.