

ACCIDENTAL LAUNCH WARNING ACTIONS

NAWAS Message:	Jurisdictions in Threatened Area	Jurisdictions in Rest of U.S.	
		Within about 500 Miles Of the Threatened Area	Elsewhere in U.S.
1. Initial Warning of Accidental Launch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Warn citizens to take cover <b>IMMEDIATELY</b></li> <li>- Activate EOC and secure phone line to broadcast station</li> </ul>	All U.S. Jurisdictions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Activate EOC and secure phone line to broadcast station(s)</li> <li>- Advise citizens to take no protective actions but to stand-by for further instructions</li> </ul>	
2. Nuclear detonation (NUDET) has occurred (minutes after initial warning)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Citizens remain under cover</li> <li>- Conduct emergency operations as feasible</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Advise citizens to prepare promptly to protect them from fallout (if NUDET proves to have been a surface burst)</li> <li>-Mobilize RADEF system</li> <li>- Prepare to provide support for impact area, if requested by state</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All areas provide Emergency Public Information (EPI)</li> <li>- Areas of possible low-level fallout threat mobilize RADEF system, and prepare to take countermeasures</li> </ul>

**ANNEX C**  
**Appendix 3**

<b>NAWAS Message:</b>	<b>Jurisdictions in Threatened Areas</b>	<b>Jurisdictions in Rest of U.S.</b>	
		<b>Within about 500 Miles of the Threatened Area</b>	<b>Elsewhere in the U.S.</b>
3. Impact occurred without NUDET (minutes after initial warning)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Advise citizens to remain under cover until further notice</li> <li>- Seek assistance through State to determine if a hazard exists from weapon material</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Advise citizens that fallout protection will not be required</li> <li>- Phase down EOC staffing as instructed by State</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Advise citizens that no NUDET occurred and that there will thus be no fallout threat anywhere</li> <li>- Phase down EOC staffing as instructed by State</li> </ul>
4. NUDET identified as air burst (no fallout resulted). This information may be received from State or region, one to several hours after initial warning)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Citizens remain under cover</li> <li>- Conduct emergency operations, as feasible</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Advise citizens to suspend actions to protect themselves from fallout</li> <li>- Provide support for impact area, if requested by State</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Advise citizens there will be no fallout threat anywhere</li> </ul>

## ACCIDENTAL LAUNCH WARNING MESSAGE FORMATS

1. The type of NAWAS message to provide a basis for warning the civil population in the threatened areas is as follows:

### ACCIDENTAL LAUNCH WARNING MESSAGE FOR THREATENED AREA (S)

“ATTENTION ALL STATIONS, THIS IS THE NATIONAL WARNING CENTER. EMERGENCY WARNING FOR (CITY, PARISH, STATE) ACCIDENTAL MISSILE LAUNCH THREATENS THE (CITY, PARISH, STATE) AREA AT (LOCAL TIME). ADVISE POPULATION, BY ALL MEANS AVAILABLE, TO TAKE COVER IMMEDIATELY—BY LYING DOWN IN BASEMENTS OR CENTRAL PARTS OF BUILDINGS”.

“(STATE) ACKNOWLEDGE, OTHER STATIONS STAND BY, ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL BE FURNISHED WHEN AVAILABLE.”

(Message will be repeated once)

2. The type of NAWAS message for the remainder of the U.S. population is as follows:

### ACCIDENTAL LAUNCH WARNING MESSAGE FOR PARTS OF THE U.S. NOT IN THE THREATENED AREA (S)

“ATTENTION ALL STATIONS, THIS IS THE NATIONAL WARNING CENTER. EMERGENCY ACTION INFORMATION FOR ALL PARTS OF THE UNITED STATES NOT--REPEAT, NOT--IN THE THREATENED AREA OF (CITY, PARISH, STATE). ADVISE THE PUBLIC IN YOUR LOCALITY BY ALL MEANS AVAILABLE THAT PROTECTIVE ACTION IS NOT REQUIRED AT THAT IS TIME. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND ADVICE WILL BE FURNISHED WHEN AVAILABLE.”

(Message will be repeated once. A roll call of State and Federal warning points will be conducted.)