

Weather Guide Calendar with Phenomenal Weather Events 2010

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AUGUST

Aug. 2, 2002 Lightning hit the chimney of a home in NJ's South Brunswick Township.

Its impact and resulting thunder's concussion "blew out" the glass fireplace; the den/dining room were sprayed with glass fragments.

A woman in the house was hurt when knocked down by the event.

Aug. 3, 1996 Be off the mountain by noon in storm season.

At Potato Lake (SSW of Silverton, Co), a woman and 3 children were hit by lightning at 1:20 p.m. while sheltering under a tree; all had first degree burns (8-yr-old needed resuscitation).

They survived; the family dog did not.

Aug. 4, 2008 A derecho blasted N IL; Chicago tornado sirens blared.

The game at Wrigley Field between Cubs/Astros was stopped as player/fans told to take shelter.

Passengers at O'Hare International Airport were evacuated to lower levels of buildings; 350+ flights cancelled.

Aug. 5, 1924 The SS Frankfels measured a sea-surface temperature of 96 degrees in the Persian Gulf.

If not the highest sea-surface temperature reliably measured, it is certainly among the highest.

Aug. 6, 1986 In VA's Pulaski County, lightning hit an 81-yr-old woman as she was cooking at an iron wood stove.

It blew her across the room and she struck a wall. Nonetheless, she fully recovered.

Aug. 9, 2005 In Eau Claire, WI, a man was struck by lightning while unhooking a chain from a truck.

He was taken to a hospital for observation because of "feeling hot," but otherwise was unhurt.

Aug. 11, 2004 If your car is stalled in high water, look for downed power lines before exiting the vehicle.

At College Point, NY (NYC metro area), 2 people were electrocuted by a fallen power line when they left the car and stepped into water several feet deep.

Aug. 14, 2009 (6/28-9/6) IA temperatures averaged > normal only 10 days in this 71-day period.

July's 68.1 degree average became the coldest July in 137 years of record (old: 68.3 degrees in 1891).

The last greater or equal 90 degree noted in IA this year was today – the earliest of record (old: 19th in 1902).

Aug. 17, 2002 Drought conditions helped big temperature swings: Yesterday's daily record high of 101 degrees was followed by this morning's daily record low of 39 degrees in Rapid City, SD. Similar NE records of 105 degrees in Alliance and Chadron were followed by today's records of 43 and 41 degrees.

Aug. 18, 2005 27 tornadoes were documented in WI today, thus establishing its record for the greatest number of tornadoes reported in a calendar day. Most were F0 or F1, but an F3 storm killed 1, hurt 23 between Fitchburg and Rockdale. 4 other injuries reported.

Aug. 19, 1939 An F2 tornado associated with a hurricane moved over the 10-mi-wide estuary of the Potomac River. It sank a boat offshore Reedville, VA, drowning a man; another person was killed between Scotland and Dameron, MD.

Aug. 22, 2002 Described as a "blizzard" by town residents (and turning the ground white), a hailstorm battered Newman Grove, NE. Hailstones to tennis ball size were blown by 50-mph winds. 60-80% of the town's homes were damaged; some had a dozen windows broken.

Aug. 23, 1999 In Sanford, ME, a man playing a video game in the American Legion building was injured when a lightning strike arced through all the video machines. He suffered chest pains/hearing problems.

Aug. 24, 2002 In Searcy, AR, a police officer, working traffic control, was hit by a bolt of lightning produced by a severe thunderstorm. He was hospitalized, but survived.

Aug. 26, 2002 Not tornado damage, just high straight-line winds. Severe thunderstorm winds to 87 mph overturned 15 empty railroad cars in Wallace, KS; each had a posted weight of 15 tons.

Aug. 27, 1986 August snow in MI? Not much, but it did happen. Weather observers in Gwinn and Negaunee noted a few snow pellets mixed in a rain shower. In Sault Ste. Marie, a mix of snow and rain was the first observed August snow since records began in 1888.

Aug. 28, 2002 A very far to the north occurrence for this phenomenon. A funnel cloud was seen and photographed from near Wonder Lake in AK's Denali National Park. The funnel appeared several miles north of the lake; the bottom of the visible funnel almost touched the ground.

Aug. 30, 2008 Hurricane Gustav set the world record for the highest wind gust measured in a tropical cyclone with a reading of 211 mph measured in Paso Real de San Deigo, Cuba.

“The wind peaked...the anemometer mast fell over...sharply interrupting the measurement...”

**Aug. 31, 1971 Today’s high of 108 degrees and low of 84 degrees were the coolest high and low this month in Death Valley, CA.
The month’s average high was 115.7 degrees, while the average low was a sizzling 93.4 degrees.**