

Public Information Statement
National Weather Service Mount Holly NJ
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.Kent County Delaware Tornado...

Start Location...Sandtown in Kent County, Delaware

End Location...Sandtown in Kent County, Delaware

Date...August 4, 2020

Estimated Time...8:25 AM EDT to 8:28 AM EDT

Maximum EF-Scale Rating...EF1

Estimated Maximum Wind Speed...100 mph

Maximum Path Width...200 yards

Path Length...2.6 miles

Beginning Lat/Lon...39.01N/75.69W

Ending Lat/Lon...39.04N/75.73W

* Fatalities...0

* Injuries...0

...Summary...

The tornado touched down in the vicinity of Road 258 south of Sandtown Road, then tracked across a section of mostly open fields but damaged some trees along the way. It then tracked down the western portion of Sandtown Road closer to Route 10 damaging several homes and snapping and uprooting several trees. A home had some windows blown out along with roof damage, another home had its roof blown off and there was a large garage that had its back sheet metal wall torn off. The tornado crossed Route 10 near the intersection with Sandtown Road and moved across the Sandtown Landfill facility where additional trees were uprooted or snapped, two front-end loaders had windows blown out and some truck trailers were flipped over. The tornado exited the landfill and may have dissipated before reaching the Maryland-Delaware state line. Doppler radar data showed rotation and a notable tornado debris signature near and just northwest of Sandtown as debris was tossed into the air.

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