* The UK government will be carrying out a national test of the Emergency Alerts system on **Sunday 7 September at 3pm**.
* Compatible mobile phones and tablets will receive an alert, make a loud siren-like sound and vibrate. Find out more at [**gov.uk/alerts**](http://gov.uk/alerts).
* The Emergency Alerts system is used to warn if there’s a danger to life nearby, including extreme weather.
* Regular testing ensures the system is functioning correctly, should it need to be used in a life-threatening emergency.
* The Emergency Alerts system is an important tool for reaching the public in emergency situations. However, for those who need it, information on how to opt out is available on [gov.uk/alerts](http://gov.uk/alerts).
* You can also learn about how to prepare for an emergency at [gov.uk/prepare](http://gov.uk/prepare).