Test of the Alert Ready Alerting System

The Alert Ready emergency alerting system will be tested in all provinces and territories on May 8, 2019, on TV, radio and compatible wireless devices. Not all mobile devices can receive alerts. Device compatibility, software version, phone settings and connection to an LTE network can impact whether the alert is received. If you have received an SMS text message notifying you of the test, it does not guarantee that you can receive these emergency alerts. For more information, about compatible devices, please visit the website of your wireless carrier.

For a complete schedule of the upcoming tests of Alert Ready, please visit https://www.alertready.ca/#alerts

What is Alert Ready?

Alert Ready is Canada's emergency alerting system. Alert Ready delivers critical and potentially life-saving alerts to Canadians through television, radio and LTE-connected and compatible wireless devices. The Alert Ready system was developed with many partners, including federal, provincial and territorial emergency management officials, Environment and Climate Change Canada, Pelmorex, the broadcasting industry and wireless service providers. Together, these partners work to ensure Canadians receive alerts immediately and know when to take action to stay safe.

What Types of Alerts are Broadcast?

Only authorized government agencies can issue alerts. Together, government officials developed a specific list of the types of alerts that are considered a threat to life. These types of alerts should be broadcast on television, radio and wireless devices. The following are a complete list of these alerts.

Fire   - Urban, Industrial, Wildfire and Forest
Natural   - Tornado, Flash Flood, Earthquake and Hurricane
Biological   - Biological, Chemical, Radiological and Drinking Water Contamination
Hazardous   - Explosive
Environmental   - Air Quality and Falling Object
Terrorist   - Terrorist Threat
Civil   - Civil Emergency, Animal Danger, Amber Alert and 911 Service
Alert Ready Administration   - Test Message

For more information, please see the following link https://www.alertready.ca