

Earthquake Safety in Stores



Whenever You Enter a Store, Look Around

- What is above and around you that could move or fall during an earthquake?
- Be ready to use your judgment to protect yourself from falling objects.

People are often injured during earthquakes if they try to walk around and are hit by falling items or step on glass or other sharp objects.

If You Feel Shaking or Get an Earthquake Alert

DROP to the ground where you are - before shaking causes you to fall down.

Take **COVER** by protecting your head and neck with your arms, and try to make your body a smaller target for falling or flying objects.

- A shopping cart will provide some protection.
- Taking cover inside clothing racks will provide some protection.
- In an aisle with tall shelving (like those in warehouse stores), taking cover on the bottom shelf will provide some protection.

HOLD ON to something sturdy.



People in California are encouraged to download the MyShake app to receive earthquake alert messages on their cellphone.

For guidance for other situations, including when outdoors, at a theater, or when using a wheelchair, visit EarthquakeCountry.org/step5.