**Steve Famiglietti**

**Storm Chaser**

I am a storm chaser. I chase with a company called Silver Lining Tours. Tornadoes are rated using the EF Scale, F for Fujita, the gentleman who invented this scale. The rating goes from EF0 to EF5.

**Fujita and the Enhanced Fujita Scale**

The Fujita scale was introduced in 1971, but was decommissioned in 2007 being replaced by the Enhanced Fujita Scale which was then introduced in the United States. The chart below compares the wind speeds and categories each scale categorized from ratings zero through five.

**Storm Chasing Data**

As a storm chaser, I travel in vans across state lines all throughout the US. Safety is a huge priority, especially when you take into consideration the data below

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| **Type of Tornado** | **EF0 percentage** | **EF1**  **percentage** | **EF2**  **percentage** | **EF3**  **percentage** | **EF4**  **percentage** | **EF5**  **percentage** |
| **United States Tornadoes** | **62%** | **26%** | **8%** | **2.5%** | **1%** | **0.5%** |
| **Interstate Tornadoes** | **22.5%** | **34%** | **24%** | **13%** | **5%** | **1%** |
| **Vehicle Impact Tornadoes** | **13%** | **35%** | **26%** | **16%** | **9%** | **1%** |

**Joel**

My dog’s name is Joel, he is from an organization called Guiding Eyes for the blind located in Yorktown Heights, NY.

A dog sitting in the grass

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**Guiding Eyes**

Learn more about what they look for in a guide dog candidate here: <https://www.guidingeyes.org/dogs-and-puppies/journey-of-a-guiding-eyes-dog/>

**Fidelco**

He is 9 years old and we have been together since he was two years old. My first dog was from the Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation, located in Bloomfield, CT. Here is a message from their COO: <https://www.fidelco.org/who-we-are---message-from-the-coo>

**Blind Services**

Here at the NEAT Center at Oak Hill, I teach people to use products that can aid those with blindness and low vision.

Products for Low Vision:

\*JAWS for Windows screen reading software

\*OpenBook scanning and reading software

\*ZoomText screen magnification software

Products for Blindness:

\*Screen readers

\*\*JAWS

\*\*NVDA

\*Braille notetakers

\*\*BrailleNote Touch

\*\*BrailleNote Touch Plus