

## Earthquake Exercise Set for October 16

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The poster features the Department of Disaster Management logo in the top left corner. The main text reads "Just 2 days until ShakeOut™". Below this, three blue boxes illustrate the "Drop, Cover, and Hold On" procedure: a person dropping to the ground, a person crawling under a table, and a person holding onto the table legs. The text "DROP!", "COVER!", and "HOLD ON!" is written in large white letters below each respective illustration. At the bottom, it states: "On October 16, 2025 at 10:16 a.m., the VI will practise safe earthquake response at home, work or school". A blue banner at the very bottom contains the registration link: "Register at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/2025SHAKEOUTEXERCISE](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2025SHAKEOUTEXERCISE)". Below the banner, it says: "Learn more about how to #BeReady for earthquakes at [www.bviddm.com](http://www.bviddm.com) or by calling (284) 468-4200".

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The Department of Disaster Management would like to remind the Virgin Islands public that the earthquake drill ShakeOut takes place Thursday, October 16 at 10:16 a.m.

Emergency sirens will NOT be activated, however, test messages will be disseminated via the DDM App and WhatsApp Channel, and participating local broadcasters will air exercise messages.

Individuals, families, schools, businesses and Government offices will be practising their earthquake safety response procedures, and some may carry out a tsunami evacuation as part of the exercise. Please drive with caution.

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**Additional Documents or Media**

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