

Any time you're planning a project such as gardening, planting a tree or installing a fence, pool or even a mailbox – no matter how shallow – we want you to be safe by calling 811 before you dig.



- 1.** Call 811 or go to your state 811 center's website a few days before digging to request that buried utilities in your yard be marked.
- 2.** Wait a few days for all utilities to respond to your request.
- 3.** Confirm that all utilities have responded.
- 4.** Respect the utility marks or flags.
- 5.** Dig carefully around buried utilities.

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Call before you dig tips

Every six minutes, an underground pipeline is accidentally damaged nationwide. Here's what you can do to help:

| KNOW THE COLOR CODE | |
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| FACILITY OR PRODUCT | LETTER CODE |
| WATER SYSTEMS | W |
| SLURRY SYSTEMS | SP |
| TRAFFIC CONTROL (COMMUNICATIONS) | TC |
| TELEPHONE & TELECOMMUNICATIONS | T |
| FIBER OPTIC CABLE | FOC |
| CABLE TELEVISION | TV |
| POLICE & FIRE COMMUNICATIONS | FA |
| ELECTRIC POWER DISTRIBUTION & TRANSMISSION/MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC | E |
| TRAFFIC CONTROL (POWER) | TC |
| SEWER LINES | S |
| GAS DISTRIBUTION & TRANSMISSION | G |
| PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, OIL DISTRIBUTION & TRANSMISSION | PP |
| STEAM | ST |
| HAZARDOUS LIQUIDS/CHEMICALS | CH |
| PLANNED EXCAVATION BOUNDARIES | — |

CALL 811 at least three full business days before putting a shovel to the dirt. Respect the marks, and dig around them (not on them). Always carefully hand dig and locate the facilities within 2 feet of marked lines.

CHECK to see if your contractor has called 811. Don't allow work to begin if the lines aren't marked, and don't assume they have called.

REMEMBER that both large and small projects require a call – whether you're installing a mailbox, planting a new vegetable garden or putting in a pool.

REPORT a damaged gas line immediately by calling 911 and then PSE&G at 1-800-880-7734. Leave the area, move 350 feet away and make sure everyone is safe.

Calling 811 before you dig only takes a few minutes. Don't put yourselves or others at risk. Always make the 811 call and put safety first!

