

What to do before/during excavation

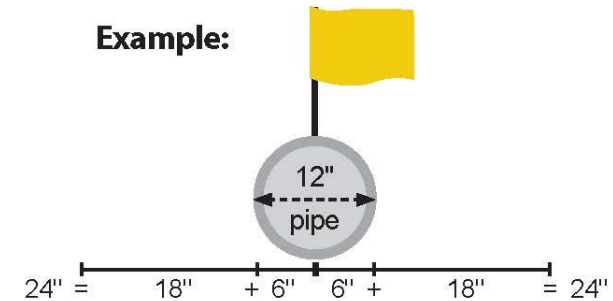
- WHITELINING THE JOB SITE BEFORE YOU CALL 811 IS RECOMMENDED.
- CALL 811- 2 WORKING DAYS BEFORE YOU DIG. EACH EXCAVATOR MUST HAVE THEIR OWN LOCATE REQUEST.
- WAIT FOR A POSITIVE RESPONSE BEFORE YOU DIG. A POSITIVE RESPONSE INCLUDES MARKS ON GROUND, EMAIL NOTIFICATION, OR PHONE CALL.
- IF NO POSITIVE RESPONSE IS GIVEN THE EXCAVATOR MUST MAKE A 2ND CALL TO 811. THE EXCAVATOR MUST WAIT 4 HOURS AFTER THE 2ND CALL IS MADE PROIR DIGGING.
- THE EXCAVATOR IS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING A 2ND CALL TO 811 IF THERE ARE NO LOCATES BUT THERE IS VISIAL INCIDICATION OF GAS OR ELECTRIC FACILITIES.
- THE EXCAVATOR SHALL PROTECT AND PRESERVE LOCATE MARKINGS THROUGHOUT THE LIFE OF THE TICKET.
- THE LOCATE REQUEST IS VALID FOR 14 WORKING DAYS OR WHEN MARKS ARE NO LONGER VISIBLE. REFRESHING THE LOCATE TICKET ON THE 12TH DAY IS RECOMMENDED.
- MECHANIZED EQUIPEMENT IS NOT ALLOWED WITHIN THE EXCAVATION TOLERANCE ZONE. THIS AREA IS 18-INCHES ON EITHER OUTSIDE OF EDGE OF EITHER SIDE OF THE GAS OR ELECTRIC FACILITY.
- SIGNING AN EXCAVATORS AGREEMENT IS ALSO RECOMMENDED FOR LARGE PROJECTS. THE LOCATE TICKET STILL NEEDS TO BE UPDATED EVERY 14 WORKING DAYS.



DIGGING TOLERANCE ZONE:

18" plus 1/2" pipe diameter
outside each side of the pipe

Example:



12" pipe = 24" on each side of marks



Know what's below.
Call before you dig.

IN CASE OF PIPELINE DAMAGE

- CALL 811 IMMEDIATELY BUT NO LATER THAN 2 HRS FOLLOWING THE DAMAGE. CALL CPS ENERGY IMMEDIATELY AT 210-353-HELP (4357).
 - DAMAGE INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING: DEFACING, SCRAPING, DISPLACEMENT, PENETRATION, DESTRUCTION, PARTIAL OR COMPLETE SEVERANCE OF AN UNDERGROUND PIPELINE OR OF ANY PROTECTIVE COATING, HOUSE/CASING, OR OTHER PROTECTIVE DEVICE OF AN UNDERGROUND PIPELINE.
- REPORT ANY BROKEN TRACER WIRE TO CPS ENERGY.
- DO NOT TRY AND FIX DAMAGED LINE OR STOP PRODUCT FROM LEAKING
- DO NOT BACKFILL THE IMMEDIATE AREA OF DAMAGE, UTILITY OWNER WILL GIVE THAT ORDER
- MAKE AREA SAFE FOR CREW AND PUBLIC, KEEP SOURCES OF IGNITION AWAY FROM INCIDENT AREA
- KEEP UPWIND FROM PLUME OR VAPOR CLOUD
- MUST FILE A DAMAGE REPORT WITHIN 10 WORKING DAYS OF INCIDENT ONLINE AT <http://webapps.rrc.state.tx.us/TPD/publicHomeAction.do>
- CPS ENERGY EMERGENCY NUMBER IS 210-353-HELP (4357)

APWA UNIFORM COLOR CODE



Red – Electric Power Lines, Cables, Conduit and Lighting Cables



Yellow – Gas, Oil, Steam, Petroleum or Gaseous Materials



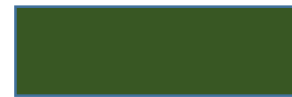
Orange – Communications, Alarm or Signal lines, Cables or Conduit



Blue – Potable Water



Purple – Reclaimed Water, Irrigation and Slurry Lines



Green – Sewers and drain Lines



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