

If Someone is Planning To Dig On Your Property, Or You Are Doing The Excavation . . . Please Do Your Part!

Look For:

- Pad Mounted Electric Transformers
- Utility Service Wires (Cables attached to the side of the utility pole and entering the ground.)
- Telephone Or Cable Television Pedestals
- Water Valves Or Hydrants
- Regulator Stations, Gas Meters, Valves or Test Stations
- Warning Signs Or Markers
- Manhole Rings and Covers

When you call, please have the following information available:

- Municipality – county, city or township
- Location – street address
- Nearest intersection of streets and roads
- Extent of work ■ Type of work
- Start date and time excavation is scheduled to begin
- Caller's name
- Excavator/contact person and phone number

Even When All Precaution Are Taken, Accidents Can Still Happen. If An Underground Facility Is Hit Or Even Scratched, Please Notify The Facility Operator.

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- Call Before You Dig
- Wait The Required Time
- Confirm Utility Response
- Respect The Marks
- Dig With Care

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What You Should Know Before Getting In Too Deep



Safe Digging Is Everyone's Responsibility

Safe digging starts with your call to Dig Safely **New York** (1-800-962-7962). But that's not where it ends. In fact, it's only the first step in an on-going process that requires everyone's cooperation, responsiveness and good judgement. The importance of safe digging cannot be emphasized enough.



Every day throughout America, careless digging causes far-reaching consequences, from serious personal injury and environmental damage to costly delays. But by working together as a team, we can keep these unfortunate incidents to a minimum. It is a responsibility that each of us must take personally. This brochure has been specifically designed to help you understand what is necessary to assure safe digging from the pre-planning of an excavation until the project is completed. Please read the information carefully, and if you have any questions, please call Dig Safely **New York** (1-800-962-7962).

Here's How It Works...

If You're Excavating:

- Always call Dig Safely **New York** (1-800-962-7962) two – ten working days prior to your dig or excavation. The call will only take a few minutes.
- Be ready with all important information: The municipality, street address, extent and type of work, start date and time of excavation, near streets, caller's name, excavator/contact person and phone number.
- Then, wait for the site to be marked! Marking could be color coded paint, flags or stakes.
- Respect and protect the facility operator's marks. Note the color of the markings and what type of facilities they indicate.
- Dig with care! Always hand dig when within 2 feet on either side of any marked lines.
- If damage, contact, or disturbance of any underground utility line occurs, immediately notify the affected facility operator, utility or pipeline company.
- If damage to an underground facility creates an emergency, take immediate steps to safeguard health and property. Contact 911.

By Not Calling Dig Safely New York, Here's What You Could Be Getting Into . . .

- Personal injury, including loss of life.
- Damage to the environment.
- Costly property damage.
- Damage to these utility lines: communication (i.e. telephone, long distance communications, cable television, 911 emergency, fire and police communications), electric, gas, pipelines, sewer, traffic signals and water lines.
- Costly delays and expensive repairs.
- Legal problems.
- Civil penalties.