

Call 811

BEFORE EVERY FENCE INSTALL

SAFE DIGGING IS NO ACCIDENT

WHY CALL 811?

Calling 811 protects life, property and your bottom line.

Locate requests made to a one-call center resulted in no incidents over 99% of the time.

WHAT IF I DON'T USE 811?

Striking a buried utility line can be dangerous for the installer and those nearby. It can also result in hefty fines, service outages and repair costs.

TOLERANCE ZONE

Each state has a required tolerance zone which mechanized equipment is not allowed. This area is measured from the outer edge of the pipe (in all directions). Excavation within the tolerance zone can only be done by hand digging. While most state tolerance zones range between 18" to 30", you must check your state regulations before conducting your excavation.



SAFE INSTALLS

- Utility marks are approximate and not exact.
- Most property lines have utilities.
- Hand dig in the tolerance zone.
- If something looks wrong call the utility or locator.
- Utility locates should be done for fence removals.



DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S BELOW?

DO NOT install a fence near a padmounted green utility box located near property lines. (See A.)

DO NOT install a fence over a sunken transformer box. (See B.)

In both cases, the installer narrowly missed lines that, if contacted, would have created an electrical hazard.

DO NOT enclose a utility box inside the fence. Companies need access for repairs and maintenance.



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SAFE DIG PROCESS

Before you dig, find out where underground utilities are located by following these steps:



Always call 811 before digging. The one-call center notifies utility companies of your digging plans.



Wait the amount of time required by your state law for utilities to mark their buried lines with paint, flags or stakes.



Check the Positive Response System. Some states have this system to verify which utilities are clear, have been marked, or if the utility company needs more information.



Respect the markings, keeping them visible throughout the entire project.



Dig safely.

DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S BELOW?

The color of the marks tells you what type of utility is below.



Electric Power Lines, Cables, Conduit and Lighting Cables



Potable Water



Gas, Oil, Steam, Petroleum or Gaseous Materials



Sewer and Drain Lines



Communications, Alarm or Signal Lines, Cables or Conduit



Reclaimed Water, Irrigation and Slurry Lines



Proposed Excavation