

811

Call before you dig. It's the law!

The Utility Notification Center is open **24 hours a day, 7 days a week**, and accepts calls from contractors, homeowners, or anyone planning to dig. Locate requests are accepted over the phone, through a fax-a-locate program, or through the ITIC program. If you need to process a locate request, or need additional information about locates, you may contact the Utility Notification Center at any time.

Grab the phone and call 811 at least two days before you pick up your shovel.

Calling 811, two business days before you begin digging, will alert utilities to come out and mark THEIR buried lines from the street to your house For FREE!

Whether you want to plant a tree or install a new sprinkler system, call before you dig will alert utilities to come out and mark THEIR buried lines from the street to your house. This will help you avoid cutting into the lines and prevent costs associated with damage.

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A utility professional will mark underground utility lines in colored paint free of charge. This will help you avoid cutting into the lines and prevent costs associated with damage.

Homeowners are allowed to dig NO MORE than 12" depth without calling 811.

Penalty for Violation

(1) Any person who violates any provision of this chapter not amounting to a violation of RCW 19.122.055 is subject to a civil penalty of not more than one thousand dollars for an initial violation, and not more than five thousand dollars for each subsequent violation within a three-year period. All penalties recovered in such actions must be deposited in the damage prevention account created in RCW 19.122.160.

Color paint used to mark utilities

- **Red:** Electricity
- **Blue:** Water
- **Green:** Sewer/storm water
- **Yellow:** Natural Gas
- **Orange:** Telephone and cable TV
- **Pink:** Survey
- **Purple:** Non-potable water