

## Make the safe call before digging

Trying to squeeze in as many outdoor projects as possible while the weather is good? Whether you're planting a tree, changing your landscape or building a deck, if the job includes digging it also requires contacting Ontario One Call.

There's a network of natural gas pipes, telephone, hydro and television wires, as well as water and sewer connections buried underground. That's why it's the law to call before you dig. Homeowners and contractors must locate buried natural gas pipes before anyone puts a shovel in the ground. If you dig without locates, you could hurt yourself or others. You could also face expensive restoration costs and potential legal action.

Ontario One Call is a free service, offered on behalf of its member utilities, including Enbridge Gas Distribution. Please call at least one week before you plan to dig. A locator will visit your property to locate and mark under-

ground lines, and provide a sketch of any lines in your work area.

You can contact Ontario One Call at www.on1call.com or 1-800-400-2255. They will ask for project details and will then contact member utilities for you. Remember, there may be other calls you need to make separately as currently not all utilities participate in Ontario One Call.

However, in June 2012, the Ontario Underground Infrastructure Notification System Act received Royal Assent which will make it law for underground utilities to participate in a new mandatory "One Call" system. Ontario's single, province-wide 'One Call' system will be the first in Canada and a safety enhancement that will help homeowners protect themselves and others from the dangers of digging without locates.

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