



Natural Gas Matters

IDEAS AND INSIGHTS FROM YOUR NATURAL GAS SERVICE PROVIDER



What Are We Doing in Your Yard?



Have you ever seen Kansas Gas Service technicians in your yard? They are there for your safety! Every so often, our technicians may need to access your yard to check pipelines, make repairs or take meter readings.

We are required by federal and state regulations to periodically survey our pipelines. To do that, our employees must have direct access to our pipelines and equipment, which may be buried in your yard. A leak survey will typically take only a few minutes, and because it does not require our employees to go inside the home, you may not even notice it has been done. These quick checks help ensure that our systems are operating properly and safely.

Kansas Gas Service employees also may need to enter your yard when you have a scheduled appointment. Performing the following actions can help make for a quick and easy appointment:

- Leave your gate or fence unlocked so the technician can get to your natural gas meter.
- Be available to let our technician into your home if this has been requested.
- Ensure that all pets are secured in a safe place away from the technician.

Remember, never let a stranger into your home without asking for identification. Our employees always carry company-issued identification cards.

You can play a role in keeping meters and pipelines safe, too. Be sure to keep your meter clear of any obstructions or debris, and avoid planting trees or large shrubs near your meter. And remember to always call 811 at least two full business days before you dig to have underground utility lines marked.

For more information about natural gas safety, visit www.kansasgasservice.com 

Save Money With a More Efficient Home



Wouldn't it be great if you could find easy, money-saving solutions inside your own home? You can with our online energy calculators!

Our energy calculators were designed to help customers find the most energy-efficient solutions for their homes. They compare thermostat, appliance, home-heating and water-heating options specific to your home and family to help you discover ways to save energy and money.

HERE'S HOW TO USE THEM:

- Visit www.kansasgasservice.com and click on "Energy Calculators" under the "Save Energy & Money" tab.
- Select the calculator you are interested in and follow the prompts.
- Once you have entered the information, the calculator will provide an answer to the question you selected.

Log on and start saving money today! 

Cooking With Natural Gas



According to a survey of chefs across the United States, 98 percent prefer cooking with natural gas for its even and precise heat. Cooking with a natural gas flame allows for better temperature control and faster cook times, which can help make anyone a pro in the kitchen!

On top of that, cooking with natural gas is the more efficient choice. A natural gas range can cook two meals for the same cost as cooking one using an electric range.

HERE ARE SOME MORE TIPS FOR SAVING ENERGY IN THE KITCHEN:

- Keep oven and burners clean – a dirty oven uses more energy.
- Always match your flame size to the size of the pan. Using too large of a flame wastes energy.
- Cook double portions when possible and freeze the leftovers. Less energy is required to reheat than to cook a meal over again.
- Cooking with copper-bottomed pans uses less energy since they heat up more quickly than regular pans.
- Don't open the oven door to check on food. Opening the door releases heat, causing the oven to use more energy to keep its temperature.

