

Whether you're digging in your backyard or excavating for a major development, these quick safety tips will keep you and your community safe.



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# 5 things to know before you dig

 Call 811 at least two business days before you dig. You can also visit KansasOneCall.org. You must wait two business



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- **2. Look for paint or flags** in your project area before you dig. If not, call 811.
- 3. Respect the tolerance zone which is the area on each side of the pipe (minimum of 24 inches on each side). Do not use mechanized excavating equipment within the tolerance zone.
- **4. Pothole** Visual confirmation is required when boring across existing utilities. Pothole in the area where you plan to cross the utility.
- **5. One-call ticket** is good for 15 calendar days. You must update the ticket if your project goes longer.

## Know Your Colors Flag/Paint Utility Color Codes

WHITE - Proposed Excavation

**PINK** - Temporary Survey Markings

**RED** - Electric Power Lines, Cables, Conduit and Lighting Cables

**YELLOW** - Gas, Oil, Petroleum or Gaseous Materials

**ORANGE** - Communication, Alarm or Signal Lines, Cables or Conduit

**BLUE** - Potable Water

**PURPLE** - Reclaimed Water, Irrigation and Slurry Lines

**GREEN** - Sewer and Drain Lines

### **Smell, Look and Listen!**

Use your senses to detect a natural gas leak



SMELL – A rotten egg or sulfur-like odor may be an indication of a natural gas leak



LOOK - Unexplained dead vegetation, blowing dirt or bubbling puddles of water may be an indication of a pipeline leak



**LISTEN** – Hissing or roaring could be an indication of a leak

#### **Smell Gas? Act Fast!**

If you smell natural gas while digging or have damaged a natural gas line, leave the area immediately. Once a safe distance away, call 911 and the Kansas Gas Service Emergency Line at 888-482-4950.



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