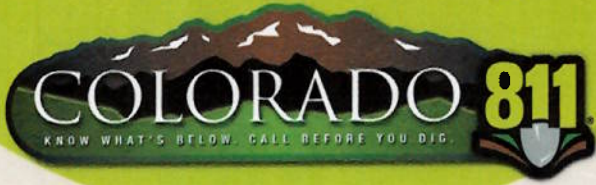


# Before You Dig!



Are you planning on digging anytime soon? If so, you must contact Colorado 811 at least three business days before digging. This will ensure underground utilities can be located and marked with paint and/or flags.

## Stay Safe and Contact 811!



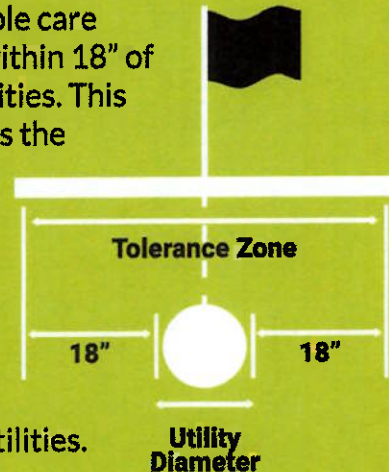
## Know the Colors

Utilities are marked in colors based on their type. Utility locators use a uniform color code system to mark utilities. Utilities can always be identified by their specific color, whether they are marked with paint, flags or both.

Proposed Excavation
Temporary Survey Markings
Electric
Gas, Oil, Steam
Communication, CATV
Potable Water
Irrigation, Reclaimed Water, Slurry Lines
Sewer

## Tolerance Zone

Colorado law requires you to use reasonable care when digging within 18" of the marked utilities. This area is known as the tolerance zone and hand digging is required. Always use caution when digging near underground utilities.



## Planning to Dig Soon?



## 4 Steps to Digging Safely

- 1 Contact 811 before you dig.** Click online at [co811.org](http://co811.org) or call 811.
- 2 Wait the required time.** Click or call 811 at least three business days before you plan on digging. This allows the utility locators to mark the underground lines.
- 3 Respect and protect the marks.** Marks are good, while visible up to 30 calendar days.
- 4 Dig with care.** Always exercise extreme care when digging near underground utilities.



## About Colorado 811

*Colorado 811 does not perform any type of locating services.*

Colorado 811 is a non-profit organization that serves as the communication link between the utility owners and anyone planning to dig. Our goal is to work with all industry stakeholders to protect underground utilities from damages relating to excavation. Utility locate requests are free and available statewide.

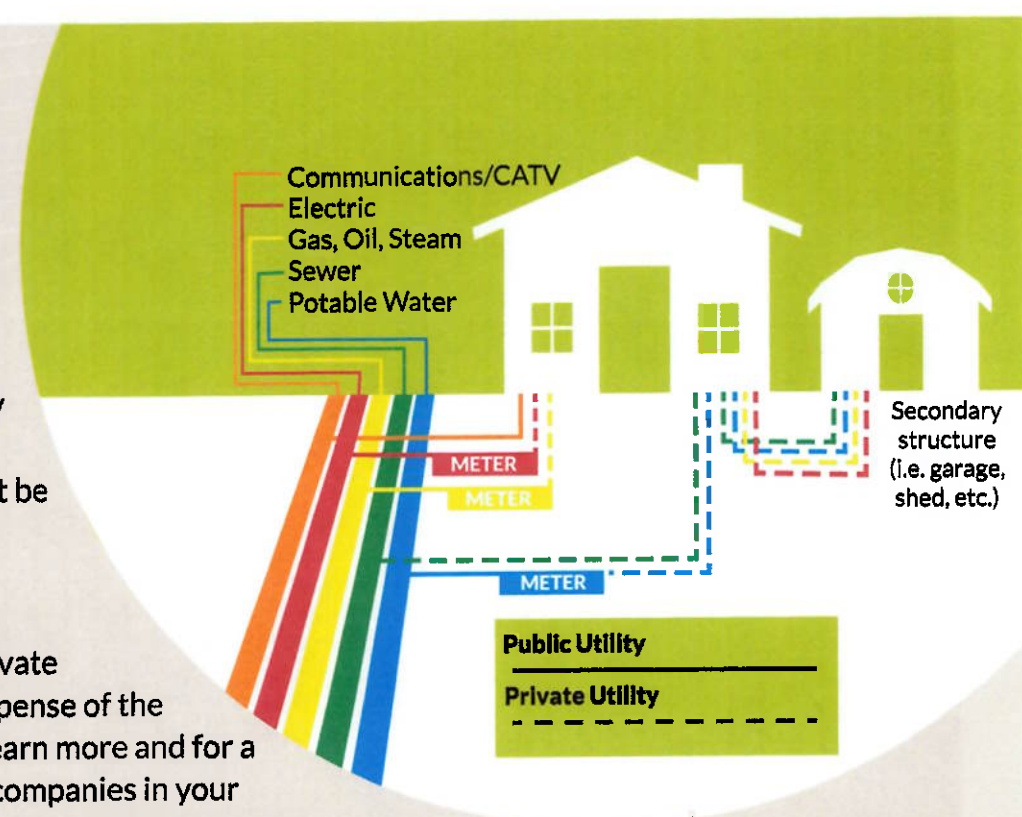
### Contacting Colorado 811

Hours of Operation: Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Emergency and Damage Notification Requests may be processed 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

## Private Utilities

There may be private utilities within your dig area. Private utilities are owned by the property owner and therefore will not be marked with your request. It is the responsibility of the excavator to have private utilities located at expense of the property owner. To learn more and for a list of private locate companies in your area please visit our website at [co811.org](http://co811.org).



**Note:** Private utility locates can range from \$75 to \$150, depending on company.

## What Happens If I Don't Contact 811?

If you do not contact Colorado 811 before you dig, you could cause damage to the environment, service outages, project delays or even injury to you or your community.



To learn more about holiday closures and observed holidays please visit [www.co811.org](http://www.co811.org).