

# RESPONSIBILITIES OF AN EXCAVATOR/DIGGER

- You must contact Nebraska 811 at least two full business days (excluding weekends and holidays), but not more than 10 business days before before digging. Observed Nebraska holidays can be found on our website: **Nebraska811.com**.
- You must ensure all information on the locate request is accurate. Contact Nebraska 811 to correct any wrong information.
- You must contact any other utilities in the area that are NOT notified by Nebraska 811. Please report any utilities that are not a member of Nebraska 811 by calling 866-711-7281. Privately owned buried facilities may exist within the work area. You should inspect the work area for signs of private utilities and contact the private facility owner to verify the location.
- You must ensure all utilities have responded before you begin your excavation. Contact Nebraska 811 if the utilities have not responded or marked correctly by the start date/time on the locate request.
- Once all utilities have marked, or indicated clear, you must dig with reasonable care.
- Should you damage an underground facility, you must contact Nebraska 811 immediately. Call 911 if there is a release of gas or hazardous material.
- Contact Nebraska 811 to refresh a ticket anytime markings are destroyed or become unusable. Tickets expire after 17 calendar days and should be refreshed on the 14th day if active excavation will continue beyond the expiration date.



## APWA COLOR CODE

<b>WHITE</b>	Area of Proposed Excavation
<b>PINK</b>	Temporary Survey Markings
<b>RED</b>	Electric
<b>YELLOW</b>	Gas, Oil, Steam, Propane
<b>ORANGE</b>	Communication, CATV, Fiber
<b>BLUE</b>	Water
<b>PURPLE</b>	Reclaimed Water, Irrigation
<b>GREEN</b>	Sewer, Drainage

**Protect yourself and your wallet.  
Click or call 811 before you dig.**



**ONLINE**  
**Nebraska811.com** using ITIC  
(Internet Ticket Processing)



**PHONE**  
**811 or 800-331-5666**  
(both numbers are toll free)

**It's FREE. It's EASY. It's the LAW.**

To see the One-Call law in it's entirety as well as other helpful information, please visit **Nebraska811.com**.



**Nebraska 811**  
SAFETY IS IN YOUR HANDS.  
EVERY DIG. EVERY TIME.

**CALL**  
**Nebraska 811**  
**WAIT**  
**2 Full Business Days**  
**DIG**  
**Safely**

**EXCAVATION SAFETY GUIDE**

## ABOUT **Nebraska 811**

**Nebraska 811** is the statewide one-call notification center, set up by Nebraska state law. It is the link between people who want to excavate and the underground facility owners/operators. Anyone planning to dig must contact Nebraska 811 two full business days before they dig to get utilities located.

## WHO NEEDS TO PLACE A LOCATE REQUEST AND WHEN?

Everyone, everywhere in the state of Nebraska must contact Nebraska 811 before excavating or disturbing the soil, even in your own backyard! Call two full business days (but not more than 10 business days) prior to starting the digging project. By contacting Nebraska 811, you will be placing a request for the underground utilities in your excavation area to be located and marked. Contacting Nebraska 811 is required by state law (Nebraska Statute 76-2321) and is designed to protect you, the underground facilities and the public.

## WHITE LINING

White lining is the process of pre-marking the area where digging will occur with white paint and/or white flags. White lining saves time, avoids confusion and prevents damages by indicating to locating crews exactly where work will take place. Although not required, Nebraska 811 strongly encourages white lining whenever possible.

## HOW DO I PLACE A LOCATE REQUEST?

Locate requests must be placed with Nebraska 811 two full business days prior to your planned excavation via one of the following methods:



[Nebraska811.com](http://Nebraska811.com)



811 or 800-331-5666

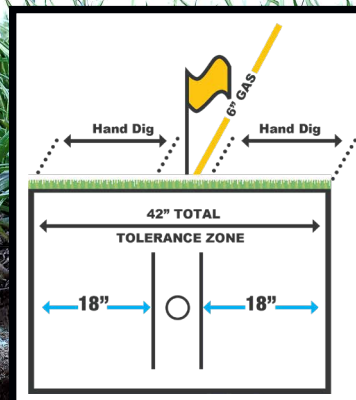
# WHAT HAPPENS AFTER I SUBMIT A LOCATE REQUEST?

The member utilities within your proposed dig site will be notified by Nebraska 811 immediately. These utilities must respond by the start date/time by clearing or marking the approximate location of their underground utilities. Excavators should inspect the dig site for lines that are privately owned or otherwise not notified by Nebraska 811 and contact the owner/operator of these lines for location information.



Utilities are also required to provide an electronic response through Nebraska 811 with a status of marked or clear. Excavators are informed of this response via email and can access this information anytime by viewing the ticket online or by phone through Nebraska 811.

If digging must take place in the area defined as the tolerance zone (18 inches on either side of the marks plus half the width of the facility), hand digging (excavation with non-mechanized tools or equipment) is required.



## TOLERANCE ZONE

Hand Dig Within the Tolerance Zone



# LOCATE REQUEST INFORMATION

You will be asked for the following information in order to submit a locate request with Nebraska 811.

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** The name and phone number of the person making the notification and the on-site contact person.

**EXCAVATOR INFORMATION:** The name, address, email address and phone number of the excavator.

**EXCAVATION INFORMATION:** The type of work and maximum depth of excavation. The date and time excavation is scheduled to commence. The

extent of excavation being planned, including whether the excavation involves tunneling or horizontal boring.

**LOCATION INFORMATION:** The county, city or nearest city, whether the site is inside the city limits, address of the site or nearest intersection and directions to the site.

**MARKING INSTRUCTIONS:** A specific description of where the work will take place and whether the proposed area of excavation is white lined.