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**ALWAYS CALL BEFORE YOU DIG**

**IT'S the LAW**

*Under Chapters 3781.25 – 3781.32 of the Ohio Revised Code*

**Dial 811 or 800-362-2764**

The Ohio Utilities Protection Service (OUPS) will notify their members who own and operate underground utilities in the area in which you plan to dig.

Call at least 48 hours in advance but no more than 10 working days before starting any excavation work. OUPS will be on-site to clearly mark any underground utility lines.

Remember, safe digging means call before ANY type of landscape or excavation work occurs. Many times utilities have been hit while digging even the most simplest of projects such as: fence posts, deck posts, swing sets, planting trees and shrubs or their removal, and even driving landscaping stakes into the ground.

By not calling, you are not only breaking the law; but also risking injury to yourself, your family, a work crew and the surrounding community.

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