

# STRUCTURES OVER NATURAL GAS SERVICE LINES

## Planning for new construction or to remodel?

First, consider location, location, location. Please be advised that building a structure over – or too close to – a natural gas pipeline is a **SAFETY HAZARD** and an **UNACCEPTABLE** building practice that may be in **VIOLATION** of federal pipeline safety regulations.

Washington Gas policy prohibits building an enclosed structure over a natural gas line. **If you have an enclosed structure over your gas line, or believe you do, please contact us at 844-WASHGAS (844-927-4427)** to arrange for a free locating inspection.

## Relocating Your Meter or Service Line

If you are remodeling and want your natural gas service or meter moved, please call us at least 8 to 12 weeks before the project starts at **844-WASHGAS (844-927-4427)**. This gives us time to schedule a site visit and prepare a written estimate\*. The relocation fee will depend on the difficulty of the installation.

To confirm compliance with federal pipeline regulations and Washington Gas policy, the company will follow up and inspect the completed third-party construction project that prompted the relocation of the meter or service line. In the event of non-compliance, Washington Gas will be forced to shut off the service until corrective action can be taken to comply with federal pipeline regulations and Washington Gas policy. For more details, contact us at **844-WASHGAS (844-927-4427)**.

*\*There is a \$72 fee in the District of Columbia and Maryland, and a \$78 fee in Virginia for providing the estimate to relocate the meter. The fee is in addition to the relocation fee and is charged whether or not the customer proceeds with the relocation work.*

## Safe Digging Practices

Digging related damage is a major cause of pipeline accidents. When planning any type of remodeling or new construction project, it is critical to **call Miss Utility at 811 before** you begin any digging regardless of size or depth. This service is **free**.



**Know what's below.  
Call before you dig.**

For more information on safe digging practices or to learn more about the **811** waiting period for line marking in your state, visit [washingtongas.com](http://washingtongas.com). You also may call our **Damage Prevention Hotline** at **800-428-5364**.

## Additional Resources:

- [missutility.net](http://missutility.net)  
(D.C. & Maryland)



- [va811.com](http://va811.com)  
(Virginia)



- [call811.com](http://call811.com)



- [commongroundalliance.com](http://commongroundalliance.com)



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

**Customer Service:** 844-WASHGAS (844-927-4427)

**Natural Gas Leaks/Emergencies:**

**911** and then 844-WASHGAS (844-927-4427)



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