

PEQUEA TOWNSHIP

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Pequea Township recognizes the month of April as “Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month”. We encourage all excavators and homeowners to please dial 8-1-1, at least three (3) business days in advance of any excavation project, no matter how small it may seem to you. Projects like planting a tree, installing a mailbox post, installing posts in the ground to build a fence, deck or swimming pool, putting in a driveway to access your property or even repairing or replacing an existing driveway, are all examples of when you need to do a “PA One-Call”.

By making this very simple phone call, you can potentially save a life, and that is one of the most important reasons! It may also save you thousands or tens of thousands of dollars that you may be responsible to pay to a Utility Company for damages and/or repairs to public water and sewer pipes, TV, internet, fiber optic and phone cabling or electrical lines. When this occurs, there may also be the cost of a fine on top of the damages. There can also be an environmental impact depending on what is damaged.

This is PA State Law and NO cost to homeowners to use. Please keep in mind that every day there is some type of new utility being installed underground and damages to them can be catastrophic.

- Electric Power Lines: power outages, injury or death to person digging
- Communications: Phone, Cable TV and Internet outages- if any of these types of lines are Fiber Optic Cable, damage to that is extremely expensive to repair or replace
- Natural Gas or Petroleum Pipelines: Explosion of your home or neighboring homes
- Potable (drinking) Water Main and the water service that feeds your house: Potable water unavailable, flooding of your basement or neighboring basements
- Sanitary and Storm Sewer Lines: Environmental impact to you and others

Most all of these utilities are installed in the State or Township Right of Ways. But, when you see small various colored flags or paint marks in your yard, please do not remove them or mow over them. These flags or lawn paint mark where underground water, sewer pipes, electrical lines and communications cables exist and are there for the workers safety and your safety, too.

Your Pequea Township Road Department