



Be safe, use this helpful checklist before you dig.

A free online enquiry can be carried out on all National Grid assets by visiting www.beforeyoudig.nationalgrid.com - Gas marker posts only indicate the presence of a gas pipeline, they should not be relied on as accurately marking the position of the pipeline. Gas pipelines do not always run in straight lines between the marker posts. Please call the **Plant Protection** contact number **0800 688 588** before carrying out any excavation work on or within the vicinity of a gas pipeline easement. 

Buildings should not be erected, and ground cover should not be either reduced or increased within gas pipeline easement strip without the written consent of National Grid. Do not stack/store heavy materials on a gas pipeline easement, the easement strip should be left clear for access. 

Always contact **National Grid (0800 688 588)** before repairing existing or installing new drainage, by use of mechanical excavation methods, on or within the vicinity of a gas pipeline easement. Take particular care when installing gate posts. No mechanical excavators should be used within 3 metres of a high-pressure gas pipeline. 

National Grid offer a FREE safety advice service where necessary or by request and if required, a Technician or Engineer will visit site to locate and mark out the pipeline, and advise on safe working in the vicinity of our high pressure pipelines (free of charge). 

Normal agricultural activities and cultivations, are permitted, however, if you are planning deep cultivations such as sub-soiling or mole ploughing, fencing and gate posts to depth in excess of 0.45 metres (18 inches) within a gas pipeline easement strip, you must first contact **Plant Protection** on **0800 688 588**. 

If you permit others to occupy, use or carry out works on your land, as the land owner or occupier it remains your responsibility to ensure that they know about the presence of our pipeline and the requirement to contact **National Grid** in advance of any works on **0800 688 588**. 

If you are acquiring a **licence** or **permit** from your Local Planning Authority when organizing a **festival/event** on your land which is in close proximity of our gas pipeline, you **MUST** also ensure you inform **National Grid** prior to the event taking place on **0800 688 588**. 

Please be advised that Plant Protection is currently a service provided by Cadent Gas on behalf of National Grid.