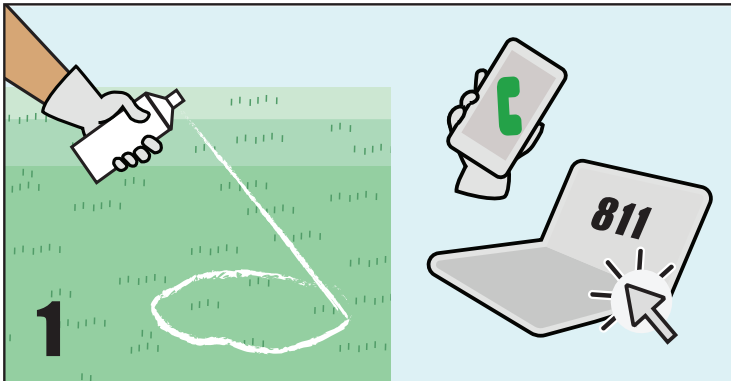
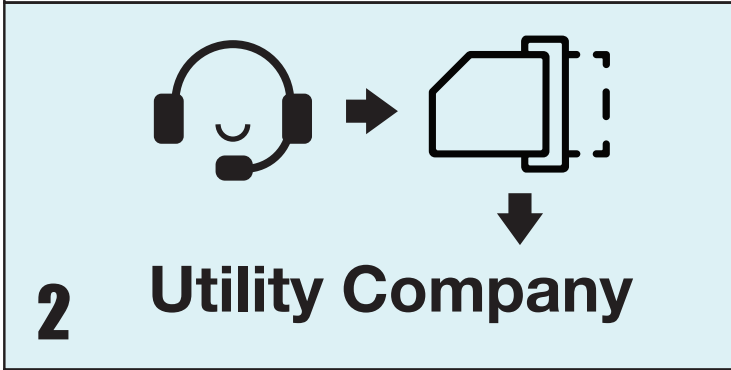


# STEPS TO SAFE DIGGING

For every digging project – big or small – it’s important to plan ahead and tackle it with safety in mind! Can you match these five steps for safe digging to the pictures? Cut out the steps below and paste them under the matching picture.



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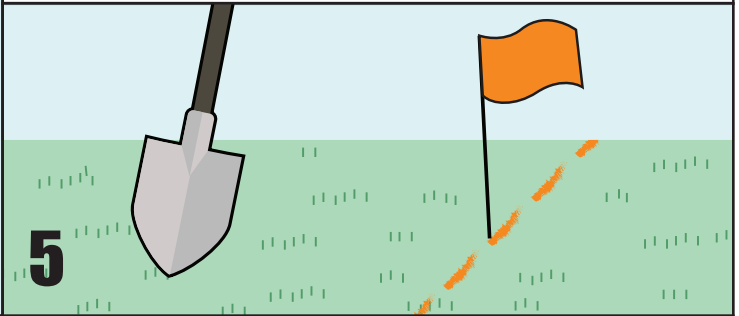
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Outline your proposed digging area with white flags or white spray paint. An adult should then submit a locate request online or by phone at 8-1-1 the number of full working days required by your local notification center/state law.

Confirm that all of the marks have been completed by checking the utility statuses online and the marks at the dig site. Wait to dig until the required waiting time is over, even if it seems that all the marks are completed early.

While you wait the required time, your local notification center will notify any public utility companies that have lines within your dig site.

The utility companies will send a professional locator to mark their lines with colored flags or spray paint that represent the APWA color code for that utility.

Your adult can then dig with care! Be sure to respect the marks and consider the tolerance zone around any marks.