

## Gas meter and Propane Service Line Information

Prior to installation, all Natural Gas Meters and Propane Tank and service lines must have a Location Agreement Form completed. Information for Natural Gas Meter location and Propane Tank and service lines may be found in our [Builders Packet](#).

Following is an excerpt from our [Standards & Guidelines Policy](#).

### SECTION 6. UTILITIES

#### 601. Review and Approval of Gas Service Location

- A. The Crested Butte Fire Protection District, the appropriate municipal or Gunnison County building department and the appropriate natural gas company representative shall approve all natural gas meter locations prior to installation.
- B. The following requirements shall be used in determining the best location for gas meters:
  - 1. All gas meters shall be installed per the manufacturer's design specifications and all applicable codes and standards and,
  - 2. Shall be installed on a gable end and,
  - 3. Shall be installed 3-5 feet above finish grade and,
  - 4. Shall be permanently attached to a structure and,
  - 5. Shall not have any exposed horizontal runs and,
  - 6. Shall maintain 36 inches clearance from the gas meter and pressure relief valve to any electric meters, cable and telephone junction boxes, other ignition sources, operable windows and doors, exhaust vents or other penetrations.
- C. The Crested Butte Fire Protection District, the appropriate municipal or Gunnison County building department and the appropriate propane vendor shall review and approve the location of all propane tanks prior to installation.
- D. Underground propane tanks shall be installed below the level of the lowest gas-fired appliance in any given structure.
- E. The Crested Butte Fire Protection District, the appropriate municipal or Gunnison County building department and the appropriate propane vendor shall approve the location of all propane service lines and pressure relief valves prior to installation. The same criteria for natural gas meter locations shall be used to determine the best location for propane gas service lines and pressure relief valves.
- F. All installations shall have on file at the Crested Butte Fire Protection District offices a signed agreement prior to the installation of any natural or propane gas service.

#### 602. Excavation

- A. All excavators shall contact the Utility Notification Center of Colorado and obtain the necessary utility locates **prior** to breaking ground.
- B. The excavation contractor or operator shall be responsible for contacting and locating any utilities not notified by the Utility Notification Center of Colorado.
- C. Excavation contractors shall comply with the "no dig" dates established by municipalities, Gunnison County and/or the appropriate utility company.

D. The ground shall be thawed before excavating.

603. Early Warning and Alerting Devices

- A. The Fire Chief shall approve the location of all early warning and alerting (audio and visual) devices.
- B. All occupancies shall have an approved CO-1 (carbon monoxide) gas detector installed. Said CO-1 gas detector may be interconnected with smoke detection devices.
- C. All occupancies provided with propane gas service shall have an approved LEL (lower explosive level) gas detector installed at the lowest point in the crawl space, basement or lowest floor of the structure.
- D. All occupancies provided with an approved LEL gas detector(s) shall be monitored and supervised by an approved central station monitoring company and/or a distinctly sounding horn.

*Exception: The LEL detector may be interlinked with the smoke detectors.*

- E. All occupancies provided with an automatic fire suppression system shall have a water flow alarm monitored and supervised by an approved central station monitoring company and shall have installed an exterior horn and strobe and an interior horn.

604. Protection of Meters and Service Lines

- A. All gas meters and service lines shall be adequately protected from vehicular traffic, snow and ice damage. See section 601.