



Laws at a Glance

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| | Massachusetts Statute Chapter 82, Section 40 | Maine Title 23 MRSA Section 3360-A | New Hampshire Statute RSA 374, Section 47-56 | Rhode Island Statute Chapter 39-1.2, Section 1 | Vermont VSA Title 30, Chapter 86 |
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| Who must notify Dig Safe? | Anyone who excavates | Anyone who excavates | Anyone who excavates | Anyone who excavates | Anyone who excavates |
| What excavation areas require notification? | Public ways and private property | Public ways and private property | Within 100 feet of underground utilities | Within 100 feet of underground utilities | Within 100 feet of underground utilities |
| What utilities are required to participate? | Gas, Electric, Telecom, Cable TV, and Private Water Companies | Gas, Electric, Telecom, Cable TV, Propane, and Private Water Companies. | Gas, Electric, Telecom, Cable TV, Propane (jurisdictional accounts), and Private Water Companies. | Gas, Electric, Telephone, Cable Television and Public Water Companies | Gas, Electric, Telecom, Cable TV, Propane (jurisdictional accounts), and Private Water Companies. |
| Advance Notice Requirement: <small>(excludes weekends and holidays)</small> | Minimum 72 Hours Maximum 30 Days Emergencies ASAP | 72 Hours 30 Days ASAP | 72 Hours 30 Days ASAP | 72 Hours 30 Days ASAP | 48 Hours 30 Days ASAP |
| Utility response time: | 72 Hours | 72 Hours | 72 Hours | 72 Hours | 48 Hours |
| Positive Response? | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No |
| Unanticipated blasting notice <small>(after initial notice)</small> | 4 Hours | 4 Hours | 4 Hours | 4 Hours | • • • |
| Remark Notice: | 24 Hours | 24 Hours | • • • | 48 Hours | 48 Hours |
| Ticket Expiration: <small>(from date of issue)</small> | 30 Days | 60 Days | 30 Days | • • • | 30 Days |
| Violation penalties: | | | | | |
| First offense | \$1000 | Up to \$1,000 | \$500 | \$350 | Up to \$500 |
| Subsequent offenses | \$5000 to \$10,000 | Up to \$10,000 | Up to \$5000 | \$2500 | Up to \$5000 |