

What to do if a gas pipeline is damaged

(or if you smell gas in the area)

- Do not turn any electrical switches on or off, e.g. ignition switches.
- Do not operate any plant or equipment.
- Move people away from, and upwind of, the affected area. Restrict employee and public access to the affected area.
- Prevent smoking, the use of naked flames, the use of mobile phones and other ignition sources in the vicinity of the leak.
- Report the leak/damage immediately to:
**Gas Networks Ireland
24hr Emergency
Service on
1800 20 50 50.**



- Provide accurate information on your location and the nature of the incident.
- Do not attempt to repair the damage.
- Do not cover up a damaged pipeline, this may lead to the gas travelling through soil, ducts, sewers, chambers or voids and potentially building up inside a premises or confined space resulting in an accident.
- Do not turn off any gas valves in the road or footpath, (you may be causing further problems by doing so).
- Assist Gas Networks Ireland emergency personnel as required.
- Remember any damage to gas pipes, even if the pipe does not appear to be leaking, must be reported to Gas Networks Ireland.

Further information

DIAL BEFORE YOU DIG
1800 42 77 47

In Emergency call
1800 20 50 50

Gas Networks Ireland

To obtain maps of the gas network or for more information, please visit:
www.gasnetworks.ie/dial

For *Dial Before You Dig* posters or stickers for your workplace, please call:
1800 464 464 or email: dig@gasnetworks.ie

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The main contact details for Gas Networks Ireland are:

General Enquiries
1800 464 464

24hr Emergency Service
1800 20 50 50

Dial Before You Dig
1800 42 77 47

networksinfo@gasnetworks.ie

[@GasNetIRL](https://twitter.com/GasNetIRL)

www.gasnetworks.ie

safety information



Dial Before You Dig

A quick-reference safety guide for farmers, landowners, tenants and contractors

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Gas Networks Ireland

eight essential pipeline safety steps

Natural gas is transported around Ireland through an underground network of high pressure pipelines. To prevent these pipelines from being damaged and to keep them safe, certain activities are restricted in the “wayleave” – the strip of land above, and either side of, the pipeline. This document contains simple clear advice to help keep you and the pipeline safe.

1 Normal agricultural work including ploughing, tilling, subsoiling to a depth of 300mm does not require a permit.

2 Always contact Gas Networks Ireland before repairing or installing a new drainage system, clearing out existing ditches or open drains or undertaking any other kind of excavation work.

3 Call Gas Networks Ireland before installing gate posts and/or straining posts within the wayleave.

4 Ground cover should not be reduced or increased, or materials stored on the gas pipeline wayleave.

5 Pipelines are identified with marker posts at roads and property boundaries. Remember, gas marker posts can be accidentally damaged or moved and pipeline routes may change direction within any particular field. Do not assume that the pipeline runs in a straight line between posts.

6 Gas Networks Ireland should be contacted prior to planting trees in close proximity to the wayleave.

7 Please contact Gas Networks Ireland before undertaking forestry plantation and subsequent operations in or near the wayleave, such as drainage, construction of haul roads, harvesting, or cultivating.

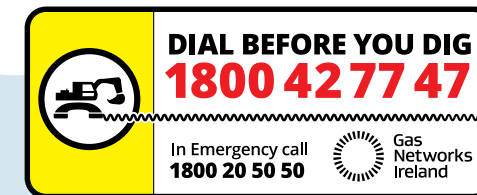
8 If necessary or requested, a GNI representative will visit your property/site to locate and mark out the pipeline, and will give advice on what type of work can be carried out on the pipeline wayleave.

This is a FREE service

Don't take a chance – Dial Before You Dig

- Other than routine agricultural activities, **do not carry out** work in the vicinity of a pipeline wayleave without the prior consent of Gas Networks Ireland.
- Please give as much notice as possible, **ideally a minimum of 7 days**.
- We will check the location of the pipeline in the vicinity of the proposed works.
- We will send out maps on request and an engineer if required.
- **Advice is FREE**
- Please contact us to ensure your safety when carrying out maintenance and upgrading work on your property.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.



If you are planning works near or in the vicinity of a gas pipeline –
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