

The Village Voice

The Village of Ada will be running informational articles about Village policies and services currently offered. These articles will be for informational purposes only, and further details and the complete Codified Ordinances may be found on the Village website, www.adaohio.org, or by calling the Village Water Office at 419-634-4045.

Digging? Make a call first.

Many of us know we need to make a call before digging any major holes. But did you know you should call before beginning ANY digging? Some situational examples include driving landscape stakes into the ground, installing a retainer wall, anchoring supports for decks and swing sets, and planting trees or removing tree roots.

So who do you call? By law, you must call Ohio Utilities Protection Services or O.U.P.S. at least 48 hours before digging. You can now also submit requests for utilities to be marked online, at www.oups.org. Make telephone requests by calling 8-1-1, or 1-800-362-2764.

When you call, have the following information ready: your county, city, or township; the digging location, including the address and nearest cross street; the type of work you are doing; and the date and time you plan to start digging.

After making the call, mark the area you are planning on digging with white paint or flags. Each utility has its own color of flag or paint. Once the site is marked by all of the utilities, make sure you allow at least an 18" "tolerance" zone on either side of the marked lines. Do not move the markers until you are completed finished with the project.

For more information, including a chart of what color represents each utility, visit www.oups.org, or call 1-800-362-2764.