

NATURAL GAS MATTERS

A BETTER TOMORROW STARTS TODAY.

LOOK, LISTEN, SMELL – USE YOUR SENSES TO DETECT NATURAL GAS



Oklahoma Natural Gas regularly inspects, monitors and maintains our pipelines so that we can continue to deliver safe and reliable natural gas to your home or business. As an Oklahoma Natural Gas customer, you have a role to play in natural gas safety, too. You can use your senses – your eyes, ears and nose – to help recognize the signs of a natural gas leak. Here's how:



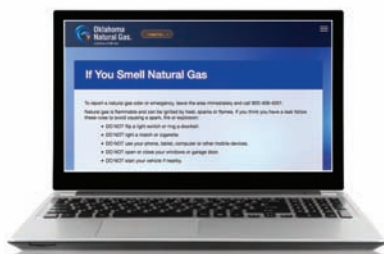
LOOK: If you see unexplained dry or dead vegetation, blowing dirt or bubbling puddles of water in or around your yard or your gas meter, this could be an indication of a natural gas leak.

LISTEN: Do you hear a hissing or roaring sound near a pipeline? It could be an indication of a leak.



SMELL: An additive called mercaptan is used to give natural gas its distinct sulfur- or rotten-egg-like odor. This pungent smell is a warning sign of a possible leak.

CALL: If you suspect a natural gas leak, leave the area immediately and avoid doing anything that could create a spark, such as flipping a light switch, using a phone or ringing a doorbell. Warn others to stay away and, once in a safe area, call 911 and Oklahoma Natural Gas at 1-800-458-4251.



For more information about natural gas pipeline safety, visit www.oklahomanaturalgas.com, and click on “Natural Gas Safety” under the menu found in the upper right corner.

CARBON MONOXIDE SAFETY



Carbon monoxide, sometimes called “CO,” is an odorless, colorless and tasteless gas that can make you sick and, under some circumstances, may be deadly. Carbon monoxide is created when fuel does not burn completely, and sources may include improperly vented or malfunctioning appliances, auto exhaust and blocked chimney flues. You can prevent carbon monoxide exposure by following these tips:

- Install and maintain a carbon monoxide detector
- Check and maintain proper ventilation of flue and chimney
- Clean or replace furnace filters regularly
- Do not block air intake areas near appliances
- Do not use a range or space heater to heat your home
- Do not start your car, lawn mower, generator or any combustion engine in a closed garage
- Do not operate a natural gas or propane grill in an enclosed area
- Notice the color of the flame on a natural gas appliance – a yellow flame instead of a blue one is a warning sign that the appliance is not operating or vented properly
- Have a qualified contractor inspect your heating and cooling equipment annually

SAVE WITH A NATURAL GAS CLOTHES DRYER

In the market for a new dryer? Think natural gas and you could save money and energy. Our Energy-Efficiency Program offers rebates of up to **\$550** for the purchase and installation of an efficient natural gas clothes dryer!



Why choose a gas clothes dryer? They have faster cycle times than electric dryers, and clothes come out fluffier and less wrinkled with natural gas – all this while giving you significant savings on your energy bills.

For quality, cost and energy efficiency, you just can't beat natural gas. For more information, program details and application forms, go to www.oklahomanaturalgas.com/rebates.

\$550 REBATE!



HEALTHY BANANA PUMPKIN BREAD

Ingredients:

- 1/3 cup plain nonfat Greek yogurt
- 1/2 cup pure maple syrup
- 1/2 cup mashed banana
- 3/4 cup canned pumpkin
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- 1 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice
- 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 3/4 cups flour

Directions:

1. Preheat your natural gas oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit. Prepare a loaf pan with cooking spray or butter.
2. Combine yogurt, syrup, mashed banana, pumpkin, eggs, baking soda, vanilla extract and spices in a large bowl. Whisk until combined.
3. Add flour and stir until just combined.
4. Pour batter into prepared baking dish.
5. Bake for 40-45 minutes.

Recipe adapted from www.buildyourbite.com.