

## How to Use Your Senses to Detect Natural Gas

The safety of our customers, communities and employees is a top priority for Oklahoma Natural Gas. And, everyone shares a part in natural gas safety.

Oklahoma Natural Gas uses technologies and equipment to monitor and maintain our gas facilities and pipelines. Did you know that you also have a set of tools that can help keep the gas system safe? Here's how:

#### LOOK.

If you see unexplained dry or dead vegetation, blowing dirt or bubbling puddles in your yard or around your meter, this may indicate a potential natural gas leak.

### LISTEN.

Do you hear a hissing or roaring sound near a pipeline? This could be an indication of a possible natural gas leak.

### SMELL.

An additive called mercaptan is used to give natural gas its distinct rotten-egg smell. A strong odor could be a warning sign of a possible natural gas leak.

If you suspect a natural gas leak, leave the area immediately and avoid doing anything that might create a spark, such as flipping a light switch, using a cellphone or opening your garage door. Warn others to stay away. Once you're in a safe location, call 911 and Oklahoma Natural Gas at **800.458.4251**. For more information about natural gas safety, visit **OklahomaNaturalGas.com/safety**.

# How to Detect Carbon Monoxide

Carbon monoxide is a gas that is created when fuel does not burn completely – it can make you sick and, under some circumstances, may be deadly. Sources may include improperly vented or malfunctioning appliances, auto exhaust or blocked chimney flues.

Carbon monoxide is odorless, colorless and tasteless, making it more difficult to detect. There are some potential signs of carbon monoxide to look for, including:

- A yellow flame instead of a blue flame on appliance burners;
- Black soot around vents, flues, furnace filters, burners or appliance access openings; and
- Headache, dizziness, ringing in the ears, fatigue, increased perspiration, nausea, weakness and vomiting.

If you suspect the presence of carbon monoxide in your home or business, leave immediately and call 911. For more carbon monoxide safety tips, visit

OklahomaNaturalGas.com/safety



## **Energy Efficiency in Your Community**

July 16 | 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. | Broken Arrow

Oklahoma Natural Gas' Energy Efficiency team is participating in the Taste of Summer ice cream event between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. on July 16 in Broken Arrow. Stop by Oklahoma Natural Gas' booth and find out how you can save money by purchasing and installing natural gas appliances in your home. Information about our rebates and up to \$850 savings on gas appliances will be available at the event. Learn about the event at **tasteofsummerba.com**.

## 811 - It's All About Your Safety

Practicing safe digging is about protecting yourself, your property and your neighbors. Call 811 at least 48 hours - excluding day of notification, holidays and weekends - before beginning a digging project to make sure that all underground facilities are marked.

By seeing where all the lines in your yard are located, you can get a better understanding of what lies below the surface. This

is done to help you avoid hitting underground facilities while digging, which could cause inconvenient outages, costly fines or even injury or death.

It's easy, it's free and it's the best way to stay safe while digging. So, remember: For every digging project – no matter how small – be a Dig Hero and make the call!

Learn more about 811 and safe digging at

BeADigHeroOklahoma.com.

## WHO NEEDS TO CALL?

Everyone whose project disturbs the ground (planting a garden, removing trees, installing sprinklers, adding a deck... and so many more) needs to call 811 at least 48 hours - excluding day of notification, holidays and weekends - before beginning a digging project.

### WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I CALL 811?

The underground facilities within your designated project area get marked with flags and/or paint. But you must wait at least 48 \_\_ hours - excluding day of notification, holidays and weekends -

before you dig.

