

# MYTHBUSTERS Challenge



## How did you do?

### Check your Answers



#1

**I don't need to call SC811... I remember when the utilities were put in and I've called 811 before.**

**MYTH BUSTED!**

The fact is... the depth of pipelines and other utilities can change over time due to natural forces such as erosion or other dirt moving activities. Or, perhaps new facilities were installed since the last time you called 811.

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#2

**I'm not digging very deep.**

**MYTH BUSTED!**

The fact is... If it requires a shovel, it requires a call. The depth of utilities is not specific and can change over time. Better to be safe than sorry, even for a small project.

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#3

**After requesting a locate you must wait 3 business days to have utilities marked.**

**IT'S A FACT, JACK**

SC811 coordinates your request with member utilities in your area. They have 3-business days to mark your property. Look for the colored paint marks or flags. Confirm all utilities have been marked before digging.

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#4

**If while digging I accidentally nick a pipeline or come into contact with the marker tape, luck is with me! No harm done.**

**MYTH BUSTED!**

Even if there appears to be no damage, a small scratch, dent or gouge could lead to corrosion and a major problem in the future. Always call the utility if you come into contact with the marker tape or pipe.

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#5

**Calling 811 will cost me time and money.**

**MYTH BUSTED!**

Calling 811 is a FREE service! Member utilities hire employees or contractors to locate underground facilities to protect infrastructure and the community. Utilities are often located within 3-business days of the request.