

Municipal Utility Marking Codes

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Here in Illinois...







What these mean...



Backhoe inbound!!



American Public Works Association Codes

Markings consist of color and additional coding notations, such as the owner, size, or type of buried feature

Electrical Service Lines	Reclaimed Water
Communication Lines	Sewer or Drain
Natural Gas, Petroleum	Temporary or Unknown
Potable Water	Proposed Excavation Route

American Public Works Association Common Symbols and Markings

F/O or FO (Fiber Optic Cabling/Conduit)

E (Electric)

G/LPG - (Gas)

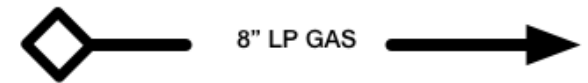
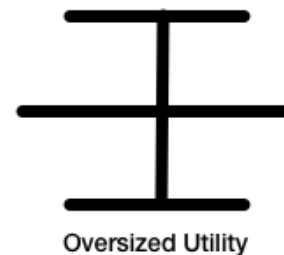
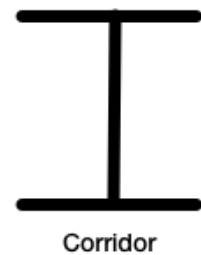
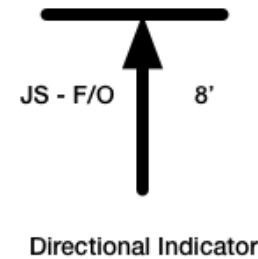
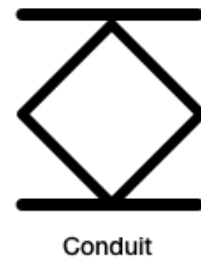
SD/SS (Storm Drain)

HP/LP (High/Low Pressure)

Materials:

PLA (Plastic)

STL (Steel)





Why is this important?

- Kinda nifty to see the hidden network of underground stuff...
- May help to better understand the environment around your facilities
- May help to avoid UUBEs:



In conclusion

- When you see markings, someone is conjuring a backhoe.
- The markings have meaning!
- Take note of the markings near your facilities;
 - note if your facilities are NOT marked.
- If you know where your contractor is going to cut or excavate, have them mark in white the proposed/planned edges of the dig.