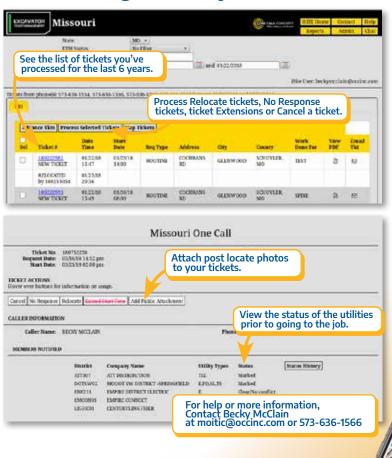


Call or Click 3 working days before you dig!

EXCAVATOR TICKET MANAGEMENT

Excavator Ticket Management is a free online tool that is available for all excavators to manage their tickets.

Using ETM, you can:



Have you downloaded the MOCS App?

Place a Locate Request

Download Tickets Utilize Ticket Search **View Maps**



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Things to Remember

- Each excavator must have his own ticket number. You cannot legally work from someone else's ticket number.
- It is important to provide a good contact phone number on your locate request.
- Always call in "No Response" and "Dig Up" notifications.
- White line the dig site to increase locator speed and accuracy.
- Do not trust anyone else to call in your locate request or to relay ticket information. Print out the ticket for field reference.
- Always Confirm utility response by checking the status of the utilities response before beginning. Use "Ticket Search" on www.molcall.com.

Common Causes of Damage

- Failure to exercise due care while digging, blind boring or directional drilling in the "approximate location" of underground facilities.
- Failing to confirm utility response before starting excavation.
- Working without a locate request.
- Beginning excavation before the start date and time.
- Working outside the area described on the locate request.
- Assuming the depth of a facility.
- Assuming that the "approximate location" marks are exactly accurate and mechanically digging right up to the marks.

Mark your Calendari

December 11th & 12th Ozark Empire Fairgrounds 3001 N Grant Ave Springfield, MO

DAMAGE EXCAVATION PREVENTION SAFETY

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This event is recognized as one of the best of its kind in the nation and continues to grow each year. We are expecting over 70 vendors and 1,600 excavators!

This year's event will include:

- Keynote speakers
- Exhibitors
- Fun events
- Free OSHA 10 Training
- 2 types of free Competent Person Training

 Confined Spaces and Excavation
- 1st Aid Classes
- Trench Rescue and Overhead Electrical
- Insurance Liability
- Bucket Truck Safety
- Job Site 1st Aid
- Crossbores

Anyone in your company involved in any way with excavation and damage prevention should attend.

Register and watch for additional information at mocommonground.org. Classroom space is limited. It is important that you pre-register to get the classes you want.



www.mocommonground.org



New Members

LumenOne Communications
Alliance Water Resources - Ashland
Everstream Solutions
(formerly American Fiber Comm)
Vero Fiber Networks

Roesleine Energy Air Link Rural Broadband Hiland Dairy Foods Company Pulitzer Arts Foundation **Total Member Count**

1470

WHAT TO DO IF YOU SMELL NATURAL GAS



OUTSIDE:

Call the gas company to report the odor and its approximate location.

Do not smoke. Do not use lighters, matches or any other open flame.

Do not use tools or equipment in the area until the natural gas company responds and investigates the leak.

INSIDE:

Do not operate any electrical switches. Do not smoke. Do not use lighters, matches or any open flame.

Evacuate the building immediately. Go to another building, and call the local natural gas company to report the odor.

REMEMBER:

The local natural gas company is on call 24 hours a day to respond to emergencies.





Enforcement by the State Attorney General's Office

Civil Penalties Continue Being Accessed

Enforcement of the Underground Damage Prevention law continues to result in penalties and warning letters issued by the AG's office.

Year-to-date, the AG's office took action on 39 member utilities and excavators who failed to comply with the Missouri Damage Prevention law.

The typical first offense penalty is \$1000. If those issued a penalty take and pass an online test and attend a MOCS safety meeting, the penalty is usually reduced to \$500.

A continued effort to enforce the law by the AG's office, aimed at both excavators and member utilities, is anticipated.

2019 Call Volume Record Numbers Continue

As more excavators and homeowners across the state participate, we are seeing record numbers of locate requests.

Year-to-date, incoming locate requests statewide are running 5.8% over last year, which was also a record year.

2019 has so far produced the top four months in call volume in MOCS history.

New Educational Training Videos

Take a few minutes to check out our five short educational/training video segments. They are located on our homepage at www.molcall.com. Click on our video library tab.

These five quick videos cover the One Call process and can serve as an educational tool for new employees and as a quick review for all active excavators.

To date these educational/training videos have been viewed over 22.900 times.

Costs

Costs associated with underground facility damages in the U.S. in 2016 were estimated at \$1.5 billion dollars.

The estimate does not include costs such as property damage, evacuations, road closures, environmental impacts, lawsuits, injuries and fatalities.

Nationwide, the average cost per damage of an underground facility is \$4,021.06. - 2016 CGA DIRT Report

FREE White Flags!

We mailed out 80,000 white flags in 2018!

Everyone else is ordering them. You should too!

Carry white paint or flags in your trucks. When you define your dig site, it improves the utilities ability to do a fast and accurate locate which in turn directly benefits the excavator.

Free white flags can be obtained from the MOC\$ website www.mo1call.com. Click on the "Order MOC\$ Materials" tab on the homepage to submit your order.

When Do You Call In a Dig-Up Ticket?

Damage, Dislocation or Disturbance equals a "Dig-Up" notification.

A common **misconception** among excavators is that unless a facility is broken or leaking, a "Dig-Up" ticket is not needed. A scratch, gouge or scuff on a buried facility can result in corrosion and failure years later.

Utilities can now easily determine who has worked in the area in the last several years and then bill for damages accordingly.

Under Missouri law, 319.045, anytime excavation results in the damage, dislocation or disturbance of an underground facility, the excavator is required to immediately notify Missouri One Call.

More Than of damage Move projects away from buried utility lines. Dig in the area designated by your one call ticket. Dig in the period designated by your one call ticket. Check for above ground signs of utilities.

Post Damage Quotes

"I thought I knew where it was."

"It was supposed to have been deeper."

"I was just going to take one more scoop off the top."

"I have a ticket number, that's all I thought I needed."

"I thought all the marks were there."

"We were lucky no one was hurt".

"My contractor called in the job and told me it was OK to dig."

"I hope this isn't going to cost too much."

"I didn't think there was any chance anything was here."

"I almost got one of my employees killed today."

"We were in a hurry and didn't want to take the time to make the call."

"We called and had our property marked last year. I didn't remember that being marked."

"You won't believe how much the utility is charging me to repair it."

DAMAGE PREVENTION

Safety Presentations Available

MOCS has four Damage Prevention Managers who will be happy to schedule a presentation for your company's employees.

If you need a presentation for a safety or an educational meeting, contact us at 573-635-1818 to schedule a date and time, or you may contact them direct.

Arch York

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Bill Murray

St. Louis and Eastern Missouri 314-307-2122

Derek Leffert

North and Central Missouri 573-280-8500

Nick Rasa

Southern Missouri 660-221-1625