



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3781.261 Protection of underground utility facilities training.

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(A) An excavator, contractor, utility, designer, engineer, developer, or utility locator who has responsibility to the 811 notification process shall obtain training in the protection of underground utility facilities.

(B) Employers shall provide training at the time of initial assignment. Retraining of each employee shall occur every five years thereafter, or whenever changes occur to Chapters 3781. or 4913. of the Revised Code.

(C) Employee training provided and training successfully completed shall be documented and retained by the employer. Employee training requirements shall include the following topics:

(1) The one-call OHIO811 notification process;

(2) Responsibilities of utilities and excavators;

(3) Positive response system;

(4) The Ohio universal marking standards;

(5) The laws and regulations described in sections 153.64 and 3781.25 to 3781.34 of the Revised Code.
