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Laws at a Glance

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	Massachusetts Statute Chapter 82, Section 40	Maine Title 23 MRSA Section 3360-A	New Hampshire Statute RSA 374, Section 47-56	Rhode Island Statute Chapter 39-1.2, Section 1	Vermont VSA Title 30, Chapter 86
Who must notify Dig Safe?	Anyone who excavates	Anyone who excavates	Anyone who excavates	Anyone who excavates	Anyone who excavates
What excavation areas require notification?	Public ways and private property	Public ways and private property	Within 100 feet of underground utilities	Within 100 feet of underground utilities	Within 100 feet of underground utilities
What utilities are required to participate?	Gas, Electric, Telecom, Cable TV, and Private Water Companies	Gas, Electric, Telecom, Cable TV, Propane, and Private Water Companies.	Gas, Electric, Telecom, Cable TV, Propane (jurisdictional accounts), and Private Water Companies.	Gas, Electric, Telephone, Cable Television and Public Water Companies	Gas, Electric, Telecom, Cable TV, Propane (jurisdictional accounts), and Private Water Companies.
Advance Notice Requirement: <small>(excludes weekends and holidays)</small>	Minimum 72 Hours Maximum 30 Days Emergencies ASAP	72 Hours 30 Days ASAP	72 Hours 30 Days ASAP	72 Hours 30 Days ASAP	48 Hours 30 Days ASAP
Utility response time:	72 Hours	72 Hours	72 Hours	72 Hours	48 Hours
Positive Response?	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Unanticipated blasting notice <small>(after initial notice)</small>	4 Hours	4 Hours	4 Hours	4 Hours	• • •
Remark Notice:	24 Hours	24 Hours	• • •	48 Hours	48 Hours
Ticket Expiration: <small>(from date of issue)</small>	30 Days	60 Days	30 Days	• • •	30 Days
Violation penalties:					
First offense	\$1000	Up to \$1,000	\$500	\$350	Up to \$500
Subsequent offenses	\$5000 to \$10,000	Up to \$10,000	Up to \$5000	\$2500	Up to \$5000