

Excavation and Underground Utility Installation Policy

The purpose of this policy is to prevent damage to any existing or new underground utilities located within Lake Arrowhead Community's Right of Ways. Any contractor or homeowner seeking to construct any new home, addition, garage, shed, new underground utility service drops or driveway opening where any excavation will be necessary must agree to follow these specifications before any LAC building permit will be issued. Failure to follow these specifications will result in LAC not providing new water service until the specified methods are used and completed utility installation is approved by the LAC permit coordinator.

- 1. Contractor or Homeowner must properly mark the area of excavation then contact Dig Safe to open a ticket for the proposed work area. The Dig Safe Ticket number must be provided to LAC when applying for a building permit. Dig Safe phone number is 811. FMI go to www.digsafe.com
- 2. Contractor or Homeowner must notify LAC of their intentions to install underground utilities and provide the CMP pole number on the building application. Location and number of the CMP utility pole and proposed routing of utilities must be included on the site plan.
- 3. Contractor or Homeowner are required to pay LAC \$50.00 to install a permanent "Caution Buried Utilities" sign on the utility pole on which the service drops will be located.
- 4. Under no circumstances will LAC allow underground utilities to cross under any roadway. If the utility infrastructure is located on the opposite side of the roadway from the proposed construction the contractor or homeowner must provide for overhead routing of all utilities to a proper utility pole located at least 3 feet inside their property line. In all cases the exact property line location must be verified and approved by LAC permit coordinator.
- 5. Any and all utilities including but not limited to electric, telephone, cable TV and one spare conduit must be installed from the utility pole to 3ft inside property line in Schedule 80 PVC conduit buried at least 30 inches to top of conduit from finish grade. If the 30" bury depth cannot be attained due to ledge or large rocks then the conduit must be covered with concrete using the formula of 2" of concrete equals 6" of earth cover to meet the 30" minimum requirement. All conduits must project at least 24" above finish grade and be securely fastened to the utility pole. In the event that the homeowner has no plans to install any of the typical communication utilities in addition to electric service LAC requires that for future use a separate correctly sized empty conduit be installed for each known utility plus one 1" spare all capped on both ends.
- 6. Contractor or Homeowner must notify LAC when they are ready for visual inspection and receive approval prior to any backfilling of utility conduits or trench. LAC requires 24 hour notice of such events. LAC is aware that timing of contractors is important and if time permits will work with contractors to give approval as soon as possible.
- 7. All buried utilities must have the appropriate caution tape installed directly above them no deeper than one foot below finish grade.
- 8. The LAC Public Works Manager will gladly assist you with complying with this policy.

I have read, understand and agree to comply with the LAC Underground Utilities Policy.	
Name of Applicant:	Lot #:
Signature of Applicant:	Date: