



WINTER WEATHER METER PROTECTION

Natural gas meters and equipment are designed to withstand winter weather conditions including heavy snow and ice; however, hard-packed snow, icicles falling from eaves, or water dripping from your roof and freezing on your meter can create a safety hazard. Also; snow and ice build-up around the vents for your natural gas appliances can cause them to malfunction.

1. **Keep your meter clear of snow and ice.**
 - Make sure your meter is visible at all times and accessible for maintenance and emergency responders including Fountaintown Gas Co., Inc. service personnel.
 - Never let snow completely cover your meter.
 - Use caution when using a shovel around your meter; don't shovel snow up against your meter.
 - Where possible, use a broom instead of a shovel to clear snow away from the meter.
 - Take care using a snow blower or plow near your meter.
 - **Never** kick or hit the gas meter or its piping to break away built-up snow or ice. Remove the snow or ice with your hands.
2. **Keep your eaves and gutters clear.**
 - Remove icicles hanging from your eaves or gutters.
 - Protect your meter from dripping water that could freeze on the meter or piping.
3. **Keep vents clear.**
 - Keep vents unobstructed and free of debris.
 - Gas equipment requires air for safe combustion and venting of appliances.
 - Know where your air supply ducts are and keep them free of snow and ice.

Why is it important to keep your meter clear?

- Accumulated snow places stress on your meter piping and damage to the piping and can cause a gas leak.
- In case of emergency, responders need clear access to your meter.

Our Safety Commitment

It is unlikely a gas leak will occur, but you should always be prepared. We are committed to protecting you, your property and the environment. By implementing safety programs; we are better equipped to detect the possibility of a leak happening prior to it actually occurring.

Using the latest technology, security, and industry practices, natural gas pipelines and mains are monitored to maintain service and safety. Fountaintown Gas Co., Inc. executes many programs to ensure your safety including:

- Design and Construction
- Monitoring of Fountaintown Gas Co., Inc. lines
- Integrity Management Program
- Emergency Responder and Excavator Training Programs
- Public Awareness and Damage Prevention Program
- Required training and certification for operations personnel
- Coordination and communications with police, fire, school, and public officials



Morristown Elementary School Project

Thank you to Abby Hawk, 3rd grader for choosing Fountaintown Gas Co., Inc. as your Social Studies project. Students learned about the businesses in their community and displayed their projects at Academic Night.