



ENCROACHMENT OF OVERHEAD AND UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL POWER LINES

**You are not only responsible to call before you dig
to ensure you do not adversely affect buried utility cables,
BUT YOU MUST ALSO LOCATE YOUR BUILDING OR STRUCTURE TO MAINTAIN
MINIMUM CLEARANCES FROM OVERHEAD POWER & UNDERGROUND POWER LINES.**

THIS CAN AFFECT THE LOCATION OF YOUR BUILDING OR STRUCTURE

(This notice is attached to all building permit applications. It contains information important to your project planning)

The permit applicant has a responsibility to ensure that the structure resulting from the permit application does not encroach on required clearances to overhead and underground power cables. Failure to identify and avoid these encroachments has, in the past, resulted in physical injury and/or unexpected costs to the applicant/owner. Expect that your building or part thereof will have to be moved or removed at your expense, where proper clearances have not been adhered to.

Legislation that controls minimum clearances for structures being built near overhead or underground power lines includes the following:

**Ontario Electrical Safety Code
Section 75-312(3)**

Contact: **Electrical Safety Authority**
Phone# 1-877-372-7233

**Occupational Health & Safety Act
O. Regulation 213/91**

Contact: **Ministry of Labour**
Construction Inspection
Phone # 475-1691

Note: No buildings or structures may be built over top of any underground power line without express written consent from that authority.

New driveways into building lots can significantly reduce clearances to power and communication cables that were not originally designated for vehicles passing underneath.

You are hereby advised, by way of this notice, that **you are responsible to consult with the above mentioned authorities having jurisdiction in this matter and that you must maintain these minimum requirement clearances**, in addition to any setbacks and clearances which may otherwise be required by zoning and building code regulations.