

SPECIAL GAS UTILITY REGULATIONS

RULE AND REGULATION 22

A. GENERAL

In addition to the general requirements outlined in Rule and Regulation 18 for Utility Services and facilities on Customers' Premises, the following is required:

B. GAS METER LOCATION

1. Each Gas Meter and Service regulator must be installed at a location that provides protection from damage due to vehicular traffic, corrosion and extreme temperatures, and from exposure to pool chemicals, dryer vents, lawn sprinklers, and other potentially damaging items.
2. Each Meter must be located in a ventilated area in accordance with CPAU Water, Gas, and Wastewater (WGW) Utility Standards and Federal Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations, including 49 CFR 192.353, Customer Meters and Regulators: Location.
3. CPAU reserves the right to require Gas Meter rooms for multiple-occupancy buildings where the building takes up the whole property (and there is no onsite location for Gas Meters) and more than 10 (ten) Gas Meters are required to provide Service. The Gas Meter room must conform to Federal DOT Codes and the California Plumbing Code. The Gas Meter room can only open to the exterior of the building and no perforations from the Gas Meter room to the interior of the building will be allowed. All electrical equipment (lights, switches, etc.) must be explosion proof suitable for Class I, Div.1 hazard areas. The Gas Meter room must be adequately vented to the exterior from the top and bottom of the room. The Gas regulator must be located exterior to any structure or enclosure except an approved underground vault. Only low or medium pressure (less than 5 PSIG) Gas may enter the building/Gas Meter room. Service pressures above 7" WC (0.25 PSI) must have prior CPAU approval. The Gas Meter installation must conform to standard details GD- 01A, GD-02A or GD-02B of the CPAU WGW Utility Standards, Appendix C.
4. Deviations from these standards and regulations must be approved by CPAU Engineering prior to any work being performed.

C. MAINTENANCE OF GAS SERVICE FACILITIES

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1. It is the Customer's responsibility to ensure existing Gas facilities on the Customer's property are capable of being maintained, which includes repair, modification, or replacement by CPAU.
2. If Gas Service facilities cannot be maintained due to existing site conditions, CPAU will notify the Customer, and coordinate with the Customer to the extent feasible, to relocate the Gas facilities to a suitable location, as determined by CPAU. Failure to relocate such facilities as directed by CPAU may result in termination of Service. Customers will be responsible for the cost of rerouting Gas Services from the Gas main in the street to the new, approved Meter location. Customers will also be responsible for securing necessary permits, rerouting, pressure testing and inspection of their houseline to the new Meter location.

D. INSTALLATION OF NEW GAS SERVICES

Gas Services will be installed, to the extent possible, perpendicular from the Gas main in the street in a straight line to the Gas Meter. Property owners or Service Applicants who wish to install new Gas Service by directional boring must have a Wastewater cleanout located at the front of the building where the Wastewater lateral exits the building. This cleanout is required so the Wastewater lateral can be inspected by CPAU to verify that it was not damaged by the Gas Service installation. If there is no Wastewater cleanout at the front of the building and the owner/Applicant will not install one before contacting the City to install a new Gas Service, CPAU will install a Gas Service by open cut method and the owner/Applicant will be responsible for the additional expense.

E. UNAUTHORIZED CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY NEAR SERVICE LINES AND METERS PROHIBITED

Unauthorized construction, demolition, or excavation activities within 10 feet of Service Lines and Meters can create emergency or unsafe conditions. CPAU's permission is required before commencing any such activities, and Customers must contact Underground Service Alert (USA) by calling 811 at least 48 hours before starting the project. Failure to secure CPAU's permission before commencing any construction, demolition or excavation within 10 feet of Service Lines and Meters may result in Service disconnection, and the responsible party will be responsible for disconnection and/or removal fees and penalties, in accordance with the Municipal Fee Schedule.

F. IMPROVEMENTS TO THE GAS DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

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Upon application for the construction of a new building, remodel, or addition to an existing structure, CPAU will require the Applicant to provide a total connected load to quantify the impact of the new load on CPAU's Gas Distribution System. If CPAU determines that Gas Distribution System improvements will be required as a result of the proposed construction, Applicant will be responsible for Applicant's share of such improvements, as well as all associated permitting and design costs, and the cost of the City's review and inspection of plans and improvements. Design and construction must conform to current CPAU Water Gas & Wastewater (WGW) Utility Standards, and CPAU's approval of the completed installation is required before occupancy.

CPAU reserves the right to solicit an additional capacity report in the event of modifications to the development scope prior to construction.

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