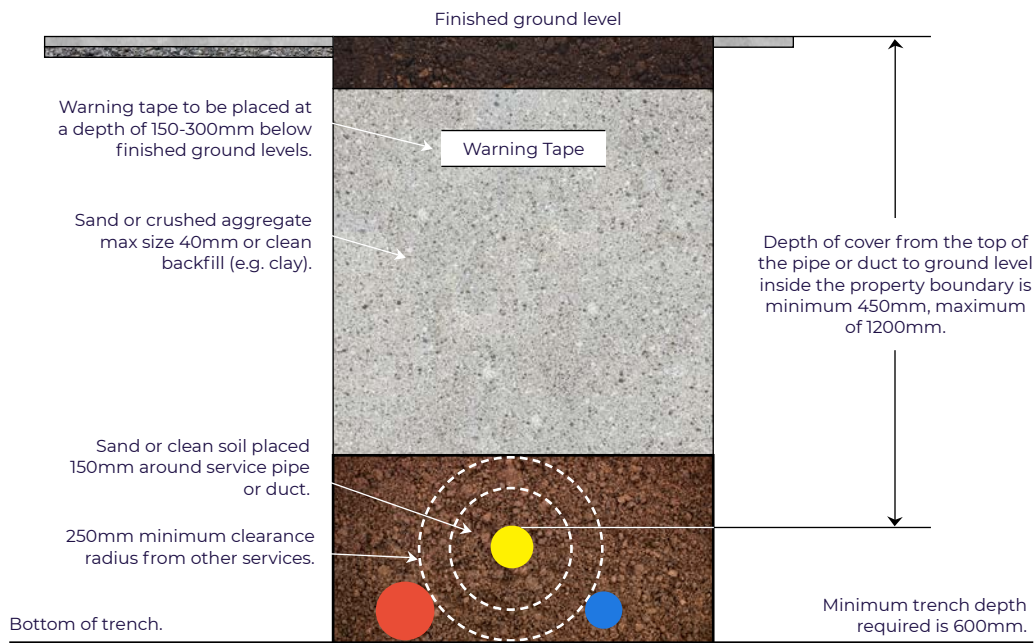


dig your own trench (DYOT)

open trench and ducting specifications for natural gas service pipes

inside private property boundary



specification

- Customers who choose an open trench option are responsible for providing the open trench and reinstatement from the property street boundary to the gas meter position. Vector's contractor is responsible for the trenching and reinstatement from the property street boundary to the gas main.
- The trench must be clean and unobstructed to allow for the gas service pipe to be laid in one continuous piece and meet the depth requirements shown above.
- If ducting is being provided, the duct can be either polyethylene (yellow PE80) gas pipe or grey PVC and must be a minimum of 32mm in diameter. If grey P.V.C is used it must have a 'danger gas main inside duct' warning label attached at regular intervals. Labels can be provided by Vector and must be installed by the customer/ developer during the installation of the duct.
- If the trench or ducting supplied is not to the required standard (shown above), the gas service pipe cannot be laid or inserted until it has been made compliant.
- Yellow warning tape can be supplied by Vector and must be laid by the customer between 150mm and 300mm below the finished surface level, directly above the gas service pipe.
- Utility plans must be obtained before excavation commences and any requirements must be adhered to. Please call 0508 248 344 or visit www.beforeudig.co.nz to obtain service plans. You must confirm the location of all existing services by marking out and carefully hand digging to expose the services prior to trenching with any excavators or machinery.
- Vector must receive the customer's signed acceptance and full payment before we will lay the gas service pipe in an open trench or insert a gas service pipe in ducting. At least 5 working days' notice is required to lay or insert the gas service. Please contact Vector on **0800 222 260** to request a start date.

note

Please note that once a gas service pipe has been laid inside a private property boundary, the gas service pipe will still need to be connected to the gas main in the street. This can only happen once Vector has received all relevant plans and permits from local councils and other utility companies.