

# SAFETY APPLIANCE STOPS

Safety appliance stops are valves that turn on and off gas to a gas appliance, just like a switch turns on and off electricity. The National Fuel Gas Code - Section 5.5.4, of the National Fire Protection Association mandates that on new installations and when the gas supply is turned on, an appliance stop must be installed. Installation of appliance stops are required for:

- Safety and convenience
- Emergency shutoff of an appliance
- Scheduled repair
- Leak testing of a fuel line
- Equipment replacement

If during our required testing procedures, your gas appliance must be disconnected, Ohio Gas Company has available for purchase, through our service technicians, an appliance stop at a nominal cost. Because the installation of a stop is considered a labor saving device, Ohio Gas Company will charge no labor cost for the installation. You are under no obligation to purchase the appliance stop from Ohio Gas Company. You may choose to have your plumbing contractor make the required installation.



# **NATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE - NFPA 54 & ANSI Z223.1**

5.5.4 Equipment Shutoff Valves and Connections. Gas utilization equipment connected to a piping system shall have an accessible, approved manual shutoff valve, installed within 6 feet of the equipment it serves. Where a connector is used, the valve shall be installed upstream of the connector. A union connection shall be provided downstream from this valve to permit removal of controls.

3.10.1. Valves at Regulators. An accessible gas shutoff valve shall be provided upstream of each gas pressure regulator.

If you have any questions, please call your local OHIO GAS COMPANY office.

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