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LET US HELP YOU ANSWER SOME OF THE QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE WHEN ITS TIME TO CALL THE REPAIR MAN.

"What should I do if I smell gas?"



Option 1. TURN OFF THE GAS!

The first and most important thing you can do when you smell gas is to shut the gas off as quickly as possible.

The **quickest way to do this is to turn the gas off at the meter which is easily done with an adjustable end wrench or pipe wrench. Turn the gas cock at the meter ninety degrees so that the head of the cock is perpendicular to the pipe.**

(See the image)

Next, contact a licensed gas contractor who offers emergency service. This contractor will check for leaks, repair any leaks found, and turn your gas back on with minimum interruption of your gas supply.

Option 2.

If you are not able to turn the gas off yourself, the gas contractor will turn the gas off for you.

Option 3.

If no gas contractor is available, your utility company will have an emergency number listed on your utility invoice.

The utility service person will:

- * check for gas leaks. If a leak is detected your gas supply will be locked off at the meter, and you will be instructed to call a licensed gas contractor.
- * The contractor will disconnect your gas pipe at the meter, pressure test the piping, and repair any leaks found.
- * He will apply another pressure test which will be left on the system.
- * He will then take out a permit at the local code enforcement office and make a request for an inspector to witness the test. After the inspector witnesses the test, the contractor will reconnect the meter to the gas piping, and the utility company will remove the lock from your gas supply, turn the gas supply on and relight any pilot lights.

This third option is the most popular because the utility company does not charge for their emergency service. However, if there is a gas leak this option could result a longer interruption of your gas supply.