Trade Ally Guidelines For Meter Location Requirements

- Meter is above ground and sits approximately 6 inches from the outside of the home being served
- Along the front of or either side of the home
- Meter location must be protected from potential vehicular damage
- Meter must be accessible for maintenance (do not designate meter location behind a fence or a large bush or shrub)
- A minimum of 36 inches (horizontal measure) from any portion of the meter set or regulator to an electric meter
- A minimum of 10 feet from any portion of the meter set to an electric transformer
- A minimum of 10 feet (horizontal measure) from any portion of the meter set to any mechanical equipment air intake opening (venting)
- A minimum of 8 feet 6 inches from any portion of the meter set to the centerline of any railroad track
- A minimum of 36 inches measured horizontally and 15 feet measured vertically from the vent of the service regulator to any through-the-wall appliance vent terminal
- A minimum of 36 inches measured in any direction from the vent of the service regulator to:
 - The openable portion of a window (including basement windows)
 - The entire portion of a framed window opening (when window not yet installed)
 - Any source of ignition that could arc or spark during normal operation (also includes combustion air intake)
- Not under a carport roof, an awning, or an overhang larger than a standard eave
- Not under a stairwell or staircase providing primary access to the home (stairwells
 providing alternative access to the home are an exception to this requirement)
- A meter can be placed in a location directly under overhead power lines
- Must be protected from atmospheric corrosion and other damage
- To facilitate proper tie-in of the meter set, house lines must be installed a minimum of 2" – 4" out from finished siding
- If you have questions about meter location placement for new construction, please call 1-800-927-6123 or (503) 220-2360. For conversion, please call the Dealer Hotline at (503) 220-2575 or (800) 422-4012 ext. 2575.

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