



# Dedicated Locator BEST PRACTICES

## Dedicated Locator Request Notice – Excavator

### What you need to know...

When Bill 93, the *Getting Ontario Connected Act* came into effect in April 2022, it introduced the new legal concept of Dedicated Locator (DL).

The Dedicated Locator model is a major change to how large-scale project locates are being delivered in Ontario. The new DL model promotes efficiency and allows Project Owners greater flexibility as the locator works for the project owner on their timeline and may reduce worker/equipment downtimes.

Project Owners should submit the required forms to Ontario One Call, and request the Dedicated Locator ID (DL ID) on your behalf.

Authorized sub-contractors will be assigned a DL ID for their specific project. **Failure to use a DL ID appropriately will cause incorrect notification.**

You are required to submit valid locate requests, with accurate map selections appropriate for the described work area.

### Why you want to do this...

The Dedicated Locator model is designed for your team to work closely with the locator assigned to your project to schedule when and where you require locates.

Allows for better planning and more flexibility when the described work is time sensitive, and/or spans a large area, and/or will take a long time to complete.

### Where can you find resources?

New Legal Concept of Dedicated Locator updates are on our website: [www.OntarioOneCall.ca/DL](http://www.OntarioOneCall.ca/DL)

[Bill 93, Getting Ontario Connected Act, 2022](#)

The Dedicated Locator Team is available for further assistance email: [DL@OntarioOneCall.ca](mailto:DL@OntarioOneCall.ca)

Best Practices - Excavator on the [Ontario One Call Resources](#) page.

### Our recommended Best Practice:

- ✓ Review Bill 93 and know your requirements as a proponent.
- ✓ Ensure your team is using the correct DL ID assigned to the described work area as DL IDs are given to specific Projects.
- ✓ Establish a schedule with the DLSP and request Locates that are appropriate for the work you can complete in that timeline.
- ✓ Follow the Ontario One Call Best Practices; click on the Best Practices – Excavator menu on the Resources page <https://www.ontarioonecall.ca/resources/> as you are required to submit valid locate requests.
- ✓ Proponent/Excavator/DLSP submits valid locate request(s) 10 business days prior to the commencement of the described work to identify special requests and notify exempted Transmission infrastructure.
- ✓ Keep an open line of communication with Ontario One Call, the Project Owner, and the DLSP.
- ✓ Ensure you have locates and/or clearance paperwork for each Member listed including “Suppressed” notifications.



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