

Request for Second Gas Service

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This policy applies when you request an additional gas service for the same building or on the same parcel of land as an existing gas service.

In most cases, we don't install more than one gas service to a single building unless the structure is separated by a firewall. All gas services must connect directly to our main gas distribution system—branch services aren't permitted.

Our Preferred Approach

For single-family homes, we prefer to provide one gas service and one meter.

If you're adding new units or buildings on your property, we typically recommend using your existing service equipment. When additional gas load is added, one of our representatives will review your total connected load to confirm whether your current service is properly sized.

If you need separate billing, you may be able to add an additional meter to the existing service (or to an upgraded service). This allows for separate gas accounts while maintaining a single gas service to the main building. Any piping beyond the meter outlet is the customer's responsibility.

Costs and Responsibilities

- There may be a charge to upgrade an existing service to support additional gas load.
- All upgrades require the appropriate permits and easements.
- Customers are responsible for paying any required Contribution in Aid of Construction (CIAC) for new or upgraded services.
- You'll also be responsible for coordinating the transition (tie-over) to the new service, after which the existing service will be retired.
- We must ensure that only one gas service supplies a dwelling unless the building is separated by a firewall.
- Adding additional meters to an existing service usually doesn't involve a construction charge, though standard meter-related billing fees apply.

When a Second Gas Service May Be Allowed

1. Detached Building

We generally allow a second gas service and meter for a separate building — such as an accessory dwelling unit (ADU) — as long as there are no safety or technical concerns. A National Grid representative will visit the site to review feasibility and long-term maintenance considerations.

Costs

All new gas services involve a cost, which can vary based on:

- Project scope
- Distance from the gas main to the building
- Required municipal permits and approvals

2. Attached Building

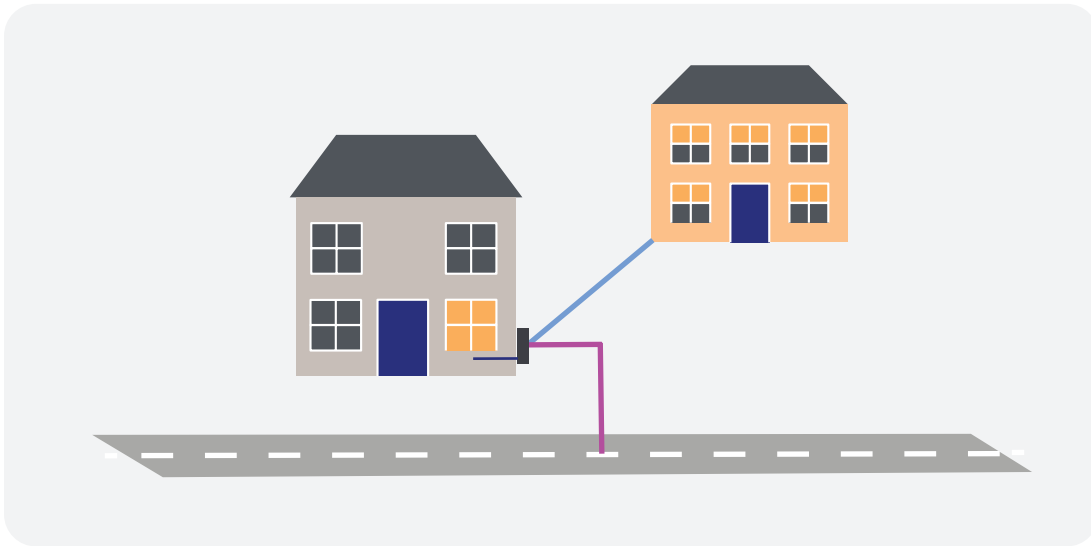
We don't approve a second gas service for an attached building unless it's separated by a firewall.

Important Reminder

Before starting any work related to adding a gas service, please contact a National Grid representative for approval. We may deny requests if there are safety concerns, technical issues, or engineering limitations.

Example 1:

We own and maintain the gas service line that runs from the main to your meter station. Any piping that extends from the outlet of the meter station to a new dwelling is the customer's responsibility.



Example 2:

For a second gas service serving a detached building, we own and maintain the service line that runs from the gas main in the street to the meter station. Any piping that runs from the outlet of the meter into the detached building is owned and maintained by the customer.

