

How To Read A Gas Meter

Corinth Gas & Water measures gas in “units” of 100 cubic feet, or CCF. Gas meters measure the amount of gas used by continually filling and emptying compartments inside the meter with natural gas, which moves the dials on the face of the meter, which is called the index.

There are two types of gas meter indexes commonly used in the Corinth Gas & Water system. The most common type is the direct read type, which looks like the odometer on a car.



This meter has measured 735900 cubic feet, or 7359 units (CCF) of natural gas. To obtain the amount of gas you have used since your last bill, subtract the amount on the last bill (for example 7349) from the amount read from the meter. In this example, you would have used 10 units of natural gas since your meter was read the last time.

The other type of register has circular dials, like a clock. There are usually four of these dials, each numbered 0 through 9, plus two “test” dials. On the circular dial index, notice that adjacent dial pointers turn in opposite directions. To read this index, write down the number on each dial, reading from left to right. When the dial pointer is between two numbers, write down the smaller number. If the pointer is on or very close to a number, write down this number if the dial pointer immediately to the right is on or has passed zero (note the direction the pointer moves). If the dial pointer to the right has **not** passed zero, record the smaller number of the dial you are reading.



This meter reads 3457. To determine how many units of gas you have used, subtract the number on your last bill from this number.

Gas meter Do's and Don'ts:

Do Keep shrubs and vegetation trimmed; don't block the meter.

Do secure your animals around the read date indicated on your bill.

Do unlock gates that allow meter access.

Do not chain or electrically ground anything to the meter.

Do not paint over the read dials or the serial number plate on the meter.

Tampering with a natural gas meter to make it show less consumption, or bypassing the meter entirely, is illegal and dangerous. It endangers the lives and property of yourself and others. This act may lead to discontinued service, criminal prosecution, or both. Never tamper with the meter!