Reading Your Meter helpful tips for an accurate and reliable electric bill

Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative, Inc.

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Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative 2. Record Your Reading

is a member-read system. We do not employ meter readers in order to reduce operating costs. As a member/owner, reading your meter is a cost savings for everyone.

Each member is responsibile for reading his or her meter and reporting monthly readings along with their payment.

1. Obtain Your Reading



Digital Meter

The first set of blinking numbers will be a series of the same number (e.g. 88888, 00000). The next set of numbers will be the reading. Read from left to right. It will say "kWH" on the bottom.

Mechanical Meter Read from left to right.





Mark the numbers as they appear on your meter in the appropriate space on the bill with black or blue ink only. Please mark the date of the reading on the payment form. To help avoid extreme fluctuations, please read the meter at approximately the same time each month.

3. Submit Your Reading

There are 4 ways to submit your meter reading.

- 1. Through the **SmartHub** mobile app (available from the <u>Apple App Store</u> and <u>Google Play</u>)
- 2. Online at www.hwecoop.com
- 3. Call 24 hours a day 330.674.1055 or 866.674.1055 (toll-free)
- 4. Mail form with your payment

Holmes, Tuscarawas, Coshocton, Knox and Stark Counties Please submit your reading and payment by the 20th of each month.

Wayne, Ashland, and Medina Counties

Please submit your reading and payment by the 5th of each month.

SURPRISED when you open your electric bill?

Have you ever opened your electric bill and been surprised by the amount of electricity you consumed? Well, there are a few simple steps you can take to avoid a surprise when opening your next electric bill. Follow these simple tips to make managing your bill easier.

1.

Read your meter every month on the same date. The bill you receive from Holmes-Wayne Electric is processed monthly based on the reading you provide. If you read your meter inconsistently, you will have bills that are based on longer time periods, translating to a higher electric bill.

Enroll in budget billing. Budget billing allows you to know exactly what your bill will be every month. If you enroll in the program, Holmes-Wayne Electric averages your last 12 months of consumption. The average is your monthly bill. Every six months, in December and June, we recalculate your average based on your most recent consumption. When working with tight home finances, this is a great way to control dramatic changes in your electric bill. At all times, your bill will show your actual consumption and compare it to your average budget. You can enroll in the budget billing program after one year of service with no past-due balance.



Reduce your consumption; reduce your bill. Take advantage of Holmes-Wayne Electric's many avenues for reducing your bill. Schedule a home energy audit with our energy advisor. The audit includes a blower door test, infared camera, and a walk-through inspection with a full report for your records. You can also find energysaving tips and tools at <u>www.hwecoop.com</u> under Energy Advice.



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