

Understanding Your Digital Meter



An **electric meter** is a precision instrument that accurately measures the amount of electricity which you use. There are two types of meters currently being used for domestic customers island wide. These are the **analog** and the newer **digital meters**.

Digital Meters



Why digital meters?

- Evolution of the industry has moved towards that of digital technology.
- Digital meters are easier to read.
- Information gathering is much easier.

How does my digital meter function?

▪ There are two elements necessary for a digital meter to produce a reading; voltage and current. Voltage alone only energizes the display and does not cause any energy to be recorded. Therefore when disconnected or during periods of no usage there will still be a display. However, if the electricity in the area is off, the display will be blank until the electricity supply is restored to the area.

If my digital meter is flashing, is it working?

▪ Yes, your meter is working accurately; the flashing is just the meter going through its displays.

If my digital meter is disconnected will I still see a display?

▪ Yes. The meter still has voltage from the lines. However, there will be no voltage in your house.

NB: Meters should display the same reading throughout the disconnection period.

Will my digital meter be read more frequently with the new digital meter?

No, your meter will continue to be read with the same frequency as the analog meter.

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For further information and Customer Service call 626-1800.



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