How do I read my meters?

Reading an Electric Meter

- Stand directly in front of your meter. Looking at the dials from an angle can distort the reading.
- Follow the Three Rules of Meter Reading:
 - Always read a meter from left to right
 - Always record the smaller number when the hand is between two numbers
 - Always record one less than the hand indicates if the hand on the dial on the right is not past the zero

Electric meter reading 45920



Reading a Gas Meter

The dials that record the amount of gas used are grouped together in a row of four.

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 - Always record the smaller number when the hand is between two numbers
 - Always record one less than the hand indicates if the hand on the dial on the right is not past the zero

Gas meter reading 0030



Reading a Water Meter

In the meter at the right, the reading is taken from the figures shown under the words CUBIC FEET. The meter reads 81,710, which is the total number of cubic feet of water recorded since the meter was installed. Because the water charge is based on units of 100 cubic feet, the meter reader discards the last two numbers (the ones with the black background). So, this reading would actually be **817**.

