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HOW LONG WILL IT BE AFTER I SIGN UP BEFORE THE EQUIPMENT IS INSTALLED?

In most cases, our member service technician will contact you within one week and the equipment will be installed within 15 or so days. In cases where the heat meter wiring will need to be run through a finished room, we will want your electrician to prewire before the wall is finished. Please contact us before the finish work is done. Contact us today if you are interested in learning more about the electric heat rate!

ELECTRIC HEAT RATE

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WHO CAN SIGN UP FOR THE HEAT RATE?

The electric heat rate is available to farms, residences, schools, churches, businesses and public buildings that have an electric system capable of heating the entire premises. All permanently installed electric heat qualifies for the heat rate. Other use at the service will be under the normal rate.

IS THE HEAT RATE AVAILABLE ALL YEAR LONG?

The heat rate is in effect from October through May. The cooperative is able to offer the heat rate because our power supplier offers a reduced rate to us for qualified electric heat during those months.

IS THERE A MINIMUM USE REQUIRED?

Yes, the minimum use required is 500 kilowatt-hours of heat each month during the heating season. You must meet the minimum of 500 kilowatt-hours at least 5 of the 7 months to comply with the electric heat rate.

HEAT SEASON: October 1st - May 1st

WILL ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT NEED TO BE INSTALLED TO METER THE HEAT?

Yes, our member service technician will need to install a current transformer and do additional wiring in your breaker panel. We will also need to install a meter socket on the outside of the building. You will have two meters. The main meter will record all use including heat. The heat meter will record only permanently installed electric heat use.

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WHAT DOES IT COST TO HAVE THE EQUIPMENT INSTALLED?

The charge for installing the second meter depends on material and labor costs. However, with electricity being your main source of heat, your cost will be recovered quickly with the lower heat rate.



IS THERE ANYTHING ABOUT THE EQUIPMENT THAT I SHOULD BE AWARE OF?

Yes! The heat meter receives voltage from one breaker in your panel. It will be marked by the installer. DO NOT turn the breaker off. If you do, the heat meter will not work and you will not receive the discount on your electric heat.