

The North Tahoe Public Utility District
is currently using two different brands of water meters

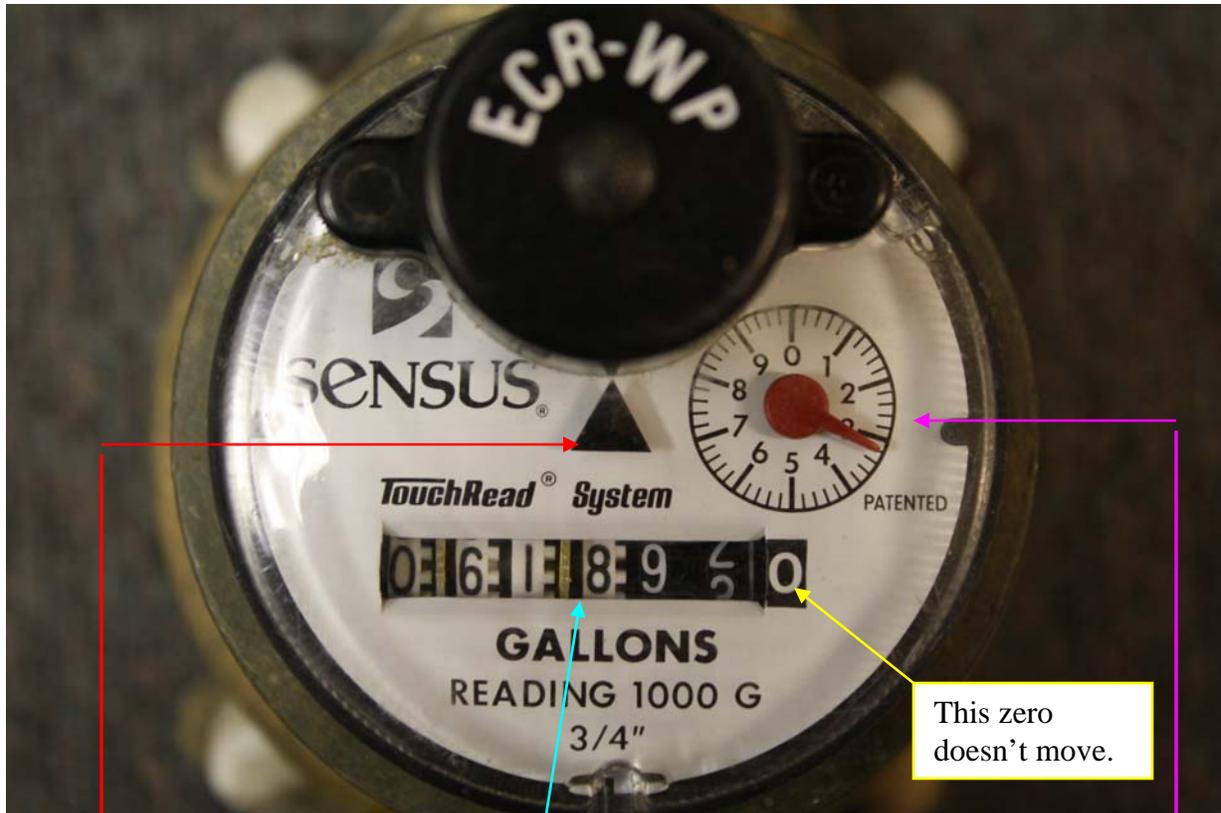
SENSUS



BADGER



This is how a Sensus meter works.



This black triangle is the water movement indicator. If there is water flowing through the meter it will spin. If this triangle is spinning you know there is water going through the meter to your house.

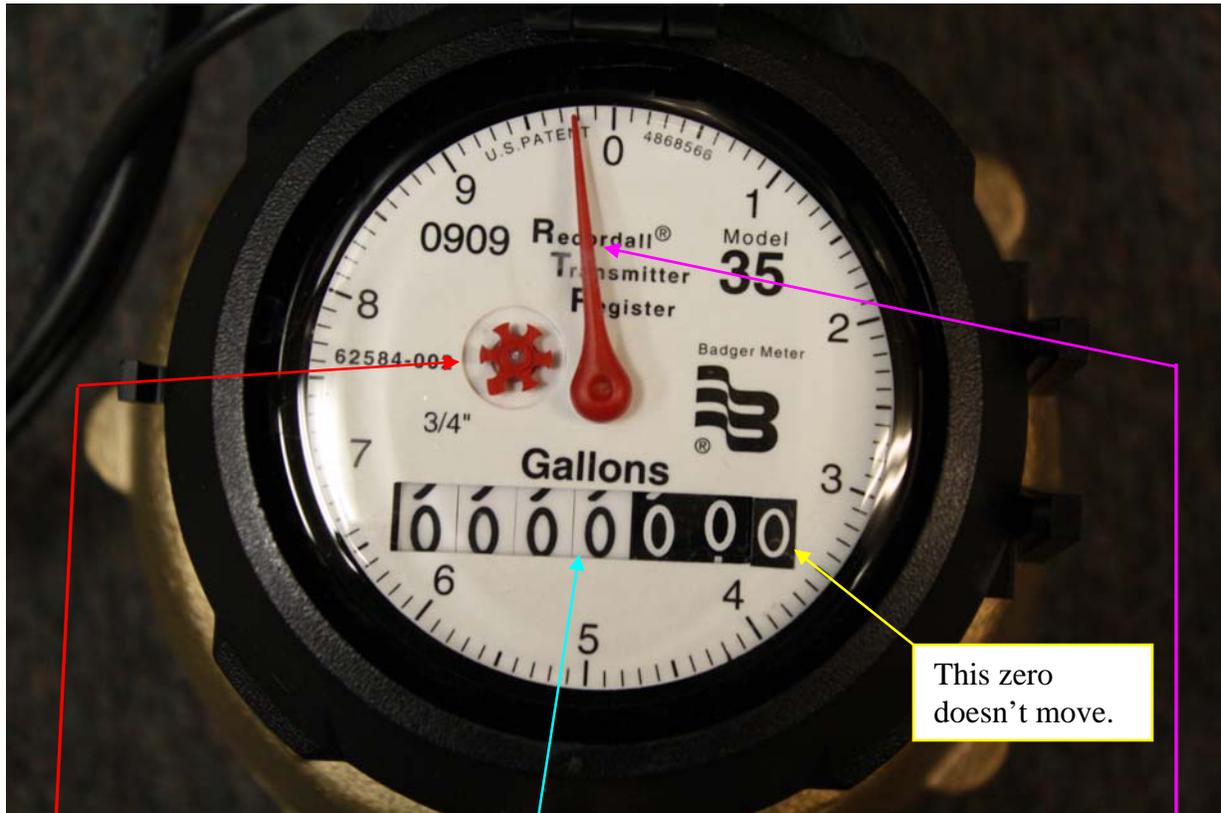
This set of numbers is your reading from the right to left. 10's, 100's, 1000's, 10,000's, 100,000's, 1,000,000 gallons. So every time the red dial goes all the way around the 10's digit will advance.

This zero doesn't move.

This dial indicates 1 to 10 gallons as the black triangle spins this indicator will spin showing the gallon age being used. If you time the gallons being used you can tell how many gallons per minute are running through the meter.

By looking at your meter you can tell if you are using water unexpectedly. If you think everything is off in your house and the **black triangle** is moving at all you are using water. It could be a toilet, valve or a leak in a pipe. Before you call a plumber be proactive and double check all your fixtures and valves. Turn your toilets off one at a time and check the meter to see if the **black triangle** has stopped. If it has that toilet has a problem. If the **black triangle** didn't stop try another toilet. If the toilets don't stop it check your shut off valve at the house, it may not be all the way open. See the page on Stop & Drain Valves.

**This is how a Badger meter works.
The Badger meter has a black plastic dust cover
you will need to flip open to see the meter face.**



This red sprocket is the water movement indicator. If there is water flowing through the meter it will spin. If this sprocket is spinning you know there is water going through the meter to your house.

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This zero doesn't move.

This dial indicates 1 to 10 gallons as the red sprocket spins this indicator will spin showing the gallon age being used. If you time the gallons being used you can tell how many gallons per minute are running through the meter.

By looking at your meter you can tell if you are using water unexpectedly. If you think everything is off in your house and the **red sprocket** is moving at all you are using water. It could be a toilet, valve or a leak in a pipe. Before you call a plumber be proactive and double check all your fixtures and valves. Turn your toilets off one at a time and check the meter to see if the **red sprocket** has stopped. If it has that toilet has a problem. If the **red sprocket** didn't stop try another toilet. If the toilets don't stop it check your shut off valve at the house, it may not be all the way open. See the page on Stop & Drain Valves.