

Meter Tech Overview

1. **Occupation title:** Meter Tech
2. **Other titles for same position:** Meter Reader
3. **Generic job description:** Meter Techs are often known by customers as the “face” of their utility company. Work involves testing, fixing and analyzing data for automated meters. Minimum requirements include a high school diploma or GED, as well as vocational training in electronics technology. Many employers will require previous experience in the field, as well as experience with radio-frequency-related electronic hardware. Responsibilities include testing, repairing and monitoring automated electrical meters. This may include logging meter data and reporting statistics to ensure proper functioning of automated meters.
4. **Level:** Entry
5. **Description of typical career path that includes this occupation:** The Meter Tech/Meter Reader position is an entry level position typically located in the Customer Service department. Meter Techs can apply and move into a Meter Electrician apprenticeship. The Meter Electrician position is several steps above the Meter Reader position.
6. **Types of employers for this position:** Utility companies
7. **Training/education/apprenticeship requirements for position:** Due to the complexity of electronic technology, position often requires experience in the field and with radio-frequency-related electronic hardware.
8. **Related skill standards:** http://cleanenergyexcellence.org/wp-content/files_mf/instrumenttech.pdf
9. **Education programs currently available:** [Degrees & Certificates](#)
10. **Related training offered within utilities (or other employers):** Meter Techs are being phased out as automated metering systems come online so training is offered to help Meter Techs transition into other roles within the utilities.
11. **Wage data**

NOTE: There is a position on the Supply Side of utilities also known as “Meter Tech.” Those positions require an apprenticeship and are not considered to be entry level.