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Fact Sheet

Ref: 521 DOMESTIC ECONOMY TARIFF

Domestic Economy or White Meter as it is better known is a withdrawn tariff and is not available to new customers. The advantage is that all electricity units used during the overnight/charge period are at the low rate unit cost. When British Summertime begins it definitely pays early risers to use their washing machine or Hoover etc. first thing in the morning during the low rate period.

Overnight/Low Rate Periods

Domestic Economy applies to modern storage heating systems installed before March 1991. The overnight/low rate periods are as follows: -

- 12.30am - 8.30am (April-September)
- 11.30pm - 7.30am (October-March)

Domestic Economy with a teleswitch has overnight/low rate periods as follows: -

- 10.30pm - 11.30pm and 12.30am - 7.30am
- 11.30pm - 12.30am and 1.30am - 8.30am

All electric appliances used during the day/normal rate period are more expensive.

How to identify whether you are on Domestic Economy (White Meter)

Your system will have electric storage heaters or a mix of storage and other heaters and a water heating control.

Your electricity meter will be a two rate or dual meter with LOW and NORMAL meter readings.

Domestic Economy is the only one, which has a two rate meter. It is more difficult to identify Domestic Economy if you have a prepayment card meter, however you can check the unit costs from the display.

- Rate 1 (Normal/Day Rate) 8.36p and Rate 2 (Low/Night Rate) 3.61p.
- Daily standing charge is 17.73p
- All prices include VAT at 5%. (Hydro Electric prices)

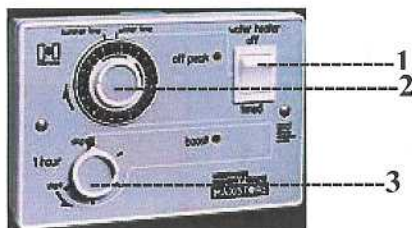


2 meter readings

Water Heating Controls

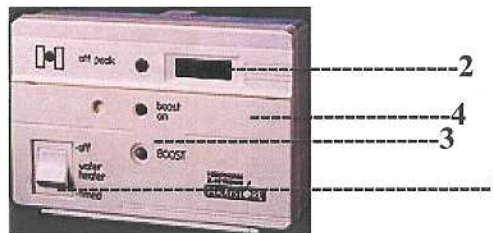
The most common water heating controls for Domestic Economy are illustrated below.

Horstmann Economy 7 Controls



1. Hot Water Off/Timed Switch
2. 24 hour clock - Summer/Wintertime
3. 1 hour boost

Horstmann Auto 7 controls



1. Hot Water Off/Timed Switch
2. 12 hour digital clock
3. 1 or 2 hour boost
4. Summer/Wintertime (flip down)

If you have a 2 rate/dual electric meter and either of the water heating controls above you are almost certainly on Domestic Economy. (White Meter)

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Mission Statement

SCARF aims to work through partnership to promote sustainable use of energy, eradicate fuel poverty and create sustainable employment and training opportunities.

Core Objectives

- + To provide free impartial and accessible energy efficiency advice and information services to help save energy, save cash and help save the environment.
- + To encourage investment in energy efficiency and renewable energy measures and grant take up for property improvements to achieve affordable warmth.
- + To create sustainable employment and training opportunities.

SCARF Provides

One Stop Energy Advice Shop offers free impartial advice and information:

- + Energy efficiency in the home, business and the community
- + Renewable energy in the home, business and the community
- + Grants for loft and cavity wall insulation
- + Grants for draughtproofing
- + Grants for central heating
- + Grants for renewable energy installations
- + Paying for fuel and fuel suppliers
- + Choice and operation of heating and hot water systems

SCARF also offers:

- + Home visits
- + Home energy checks
- + Presentations and informal training
- + NVQ and City & Guilds Qualifications



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