

## WHAT IS A RING-TYPE vs RINGLESS METER SOCKET?

Although the ring-type and ringless style sockets perform the same function, there are some physical distinctions between the two.

These distinctions are dependent on the type of application (residential, commercial, or industrial), and geographic location.

The most apparent difference is the way the meter is secured to the socket.

The ring-type uses a specially formed ring that attaches to the meter curl on the pedestal enclosure and to the meter. These rings are available in a snap type or screw type.

Ringless style metering uses the cover, which has an embossment for the meter, to hold the meter in place.

With either style, a sealing or locking mechanism is used and once sealed, there is no way to remove the meter without signs of tampering.

If there is ever a question as to which metering enclosure to use, please contact your local utility company.

