

The Model OB-SD Antique Electric Meter Static Display Unit

For those with limited available space who can also forego meter operation, we offer the Model OB-SD Antique Electric Meter. This model is also suitable when an ultimate foreign destination has electricity inconvertible to our Lamp model requirements.

The Model OB-SD Antique Electric Meter is restored to the same exacting cosmetic standards as our other models, but is otherwise beyond electromechanical restoration. Any responsible flaws are invisible.

Accordingly, the Model OB-SD retains its museum-piece quality as a classic electrical instrument and a true surviving representative of the electric industry's early, formative years.

About the electric meter:

The Westinghouse Electric Company type OB watt-hour meter was widely installed by electric utilities in the early 1900's to record residential electric use. In all likelihood, an olden-days startup utility used this same meter to calculate the first electric bill tendered to a pioneering energy consumer at the very dawn of the electric age!

In restoring each meter, our skilled craftsmen carefully removed nearly 80 years' accumulation of corrosion and grime to reveal the long-concealed, natural metallic lustre of solid yellow machined brass, heavy red cast brass, and bright nickel plate. Brass meter components are brilliantly polished and then immediately sealed in clear metal lacquer to preserve the hard-won finish.

Additional features:

- Optically-polished meter cover glass removes decades of accumulated scratches, haze, and embedded mineral stains, providing exceptional clarity for viewing the internal meter recording mechanism.
- Included are three copper-wire, pressed-lead wingnut security seals, just like the olden-days metermen installed to thwart tampering. Pressed-lead seals are sealed in clear metal lacquer to prevent oxidation.
- Precision-cut, hand-finished, solid walnut woodwork.
- Wedge-mounted interior brass plate is informatively engraved "Residential Electric Meter, Circa 1920".
- Illustrated with a second, optional brass plate affixed to the base front. This larger plate is for personalized engraving, and the buyer can request this service at no additional charge. Two suggested formats are:

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(Other engraving formats are left to the option of the buyer. However, there is a 5-line capacity, with a linear capacity of 55 characters and spaces per line. Engraved logos, both stock and custom, are available as well. Please contact us for additional information.)

- The meter manufacturer's original data plate, displaying an individually-stamped meter serial number, is clearly visible through the front meter glass.
- Each is individually signed beneath the base by the assembling skilled craftsman.
- No two meters are exactly alike.
- Proudly restored and assembled in the USA.

General specifications:

- Instrument: Westinghouse Electric Mfg. Co. type OB watt-hour meter, patented 1911-1919.
- Overall height: 10 in. (25.4 cm)
- Base: 7 in. square (17.78 cm sq)
- Net weight: 8 lbs. (3.6 kg)
- Shipping weight: 13 lbs. (26 lbs. dimensional weight applies for UPS air)

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