

Kill-a-Watts

Borrowing Guide for Customers

What is a Kill-a-Watt

- A Kill-A-Watt™ is a device that measures the amount of electricity various household electric appliances use.
- The device plugs into any standard wall outlet and then “reads” the energy use of the appliance plugged into it, measuring the kilowatt hours (kWh) used over the period of time.

MCPL branch location of Kill-a-Watts

- The ten (10) Kill-a-Watts are located at the Rockville Memorial Library.
- The device comes inside a sturdy black case— with instructions.

Borrowing a Kill-a-Watt

- Borrowers must be at least 14 years old. Borrower must have a library account.
- One Kill-a-Watt meter may be checked out per library account.
- Kill-a-Watt meters can be checked out for 14 days. Loans may not be renewed.
- After 18 days past the due date, the Kill-a-Watt is considered lost and the borrower will be billed the full replacement cost of \$55.00.

Reserving a Kill-a-Watt:

- The Kill-a-Watt meters are located at the Rockville Memorial Library but may be transferred to any library location for pick-up by placing a hold.
- Holds may be placed at any branch or through the library catalog.
- Meters transferred for customer holds will be held at the circulation desk for 3 days.

Returning the Kill-a-Watt

- Kill-a-Watts need to be returned in person to the circulation desk.
- Kill-a-Watts can be returned to any MCPL library.
- Kill-a-watts cannot be returned in the book drop.



Replacement fee

- After 18 days past the due date, the Kill-a-Watt is considered lost and the borrower will be billed the full replacement cost of \$55.00.
- Damaged or lost Kill-a-Watt components will be charged:
 - Kill-a-Watts meter: \$35.00
 - Outer hard case: \$20.00

Instructions on how to use the Kill-a-Watt

- Instructions on how to use a Kill-a-Watt are included inside the Kill-a-Watt’s case.