



City of Decatur Water Department

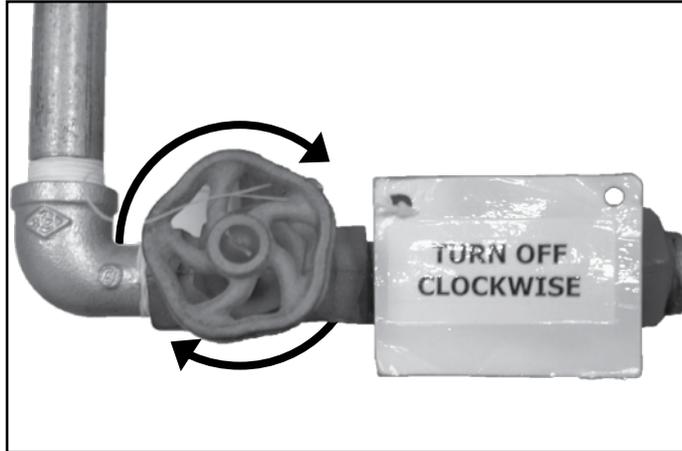
Water Shut-off Valves

To initiate your water service in the safest and most efficient manner, we recommend you shut-off the main water valve to your home prior to our arrival. This is recommended because if our service worker detects running water inside your residence, they will turn the water back off. There is a charge for us to make multiple visits to initiate your water service. Once we have turned the service on at the street you can turn your main valve back on.

Your residence will typically have one of the two water shut-off valves illustrated inside. The shut-off valve is typically located near your water meter.

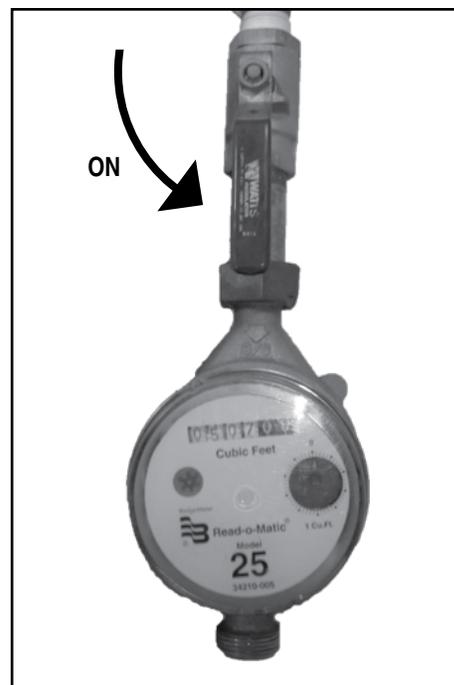
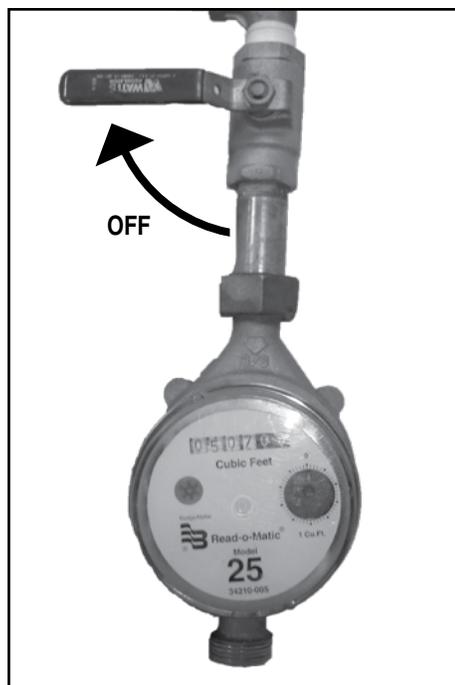
It is rare, however, your water meter may be located in an outside pit and you will be unable to shut-off your main valve. If that is the case, please shut-off all water sources inside your facility. Please make sure all faucets, showers, tubs, etc. have been turned off.

1. **GATE (FAUCET) VALVE** - - Slowly turn the valve to the right (clockwise) to shut-off the main water valve.



Once water has been turned on at the street, slowly turn the valve to the left (counter clockwise) to turn it back on inside the house.

1. **BALL (HANDLE) VALVE** - - Slowly turn the handle perpendicular to the water line to be in the OFF position. See illustration below:



Once water has been turned on at the street, turn the "handle valve" so it is parallel with the water pipe to be in the ON position. Turn the valve slowly as you are moving it parallel to the pipe.