

Cash Key Meter System

**Bethlehem Parking Authority
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Bethlehem, Pa. 18018
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What do the meters cost?

The rate for our parking meters are \$.50 per hour. The meters will accept Cash Keys, nickels, dimes, quarters and “PARK & SHOP” tokens. The meters display ½ hour worth of time for every .25 cents inserted up to the posted time limit. Please remember that these meters will only register up to the posted time limit but will accept change past the time. They will also accept the Cash Key, which can be purchased at the Bethlehem Parking Authority Office.

How does the Cash Key work?

When fully inserted the Cash Key displays the remaining value on the Key in whole dollars. The meter then deducts \$.25 from the programmed amount and puts ½ hour worth of time on the meter. To register additional ½ hour on the meter, reinsert the Cash Key. The Cash Key does not need to be completely removed before inserting a second or subsequent time. When the amount of time desired has been registered, remove the Cash Key and take it with you. Again, please be careful since the meter will not register more than the posted time but will still deduct \$.25 from you Cash Key each time it is inserted.

If the key is left inserted for more than five seconds, the meter will go into an out of order mode until the Cash Key is removed. This feature is intended to alert you if you have inadvertently left the Cash Key in the meter.

What happens when the Cash Key runs out?

When you purchase a Cash Key you are charged a deposit of \$20.00 plus the programmed amount you choose. When the amount programmed on the Cash Key is finally exhausted, you may return it to the Bethlehem Parking Authority and purchase more time or return it for the \$20.00 deposit.

What if I move or need a refund?

There are no refunds.

What if I lose the Cash Key?

Without the Cash Key, Bethlehem Parking Authority staff have no basis for knowing how much money is left programmed on the key, or whether it is found and used by another party. Therefore, no refunds or deposits can be issued for lost keys. The Cash Key is the equivalent of money and replaces the many quarters otherwise needed for meters with the convenient substitute which can be carried on a key ring, or stored in you vehicle.

What if my Cash Key is damaged?

Cash Keys are extremely durable and are not affected by exposure to rain, snow, etc.. They are also not affected by magnetic or x-ray exposures.

If my Cash Key is damaged am I entitled to a refund?

No. Deposits will not be returned for damaged keys.

Can I use quarters and the Cash Key together?

Yes. The electronic meters will accept either one or both.

Where can I use my Cash Key?

Your Cash key can be used in Bethlehem or Allentown as long as time is purchased at each location.

How do I get one?

Key(s) may be purchased at :

Bethlehem Parking authority
85 W. North Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018
(610) 865-7123

Allentown Parking Authority
10th and Hamilton Streets
Allentown, PA.
(610) 437-3366