4 Benefits of Clamp-On Flow Meters Badger Meter Flow Meters System, Inc.

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Introduction

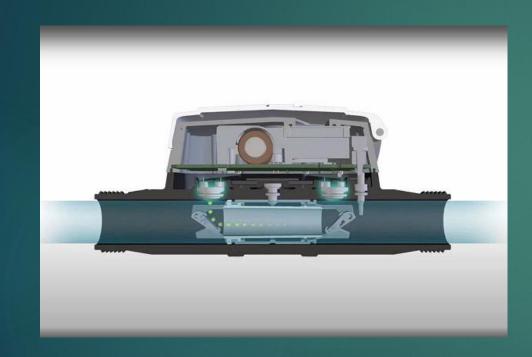
- In flow instrumentation and measurement, there are three main types of meters:
 - ► Inline
 - Insertion
 - Clamp-on
 - Clamp-on flow meters use ultrasonic (either transit time or Doppler) technology to measure the velocity of a fluid flowing through a pipe
 - Building design and construction and HVAC professionals including engineers, installers, technicians and facilities managers prefer clamp-on meters in many settings because they provide consistently accurate measurements for precise water management and have a low cost of ownership in common applications







Benefit 1: Streamline Installation



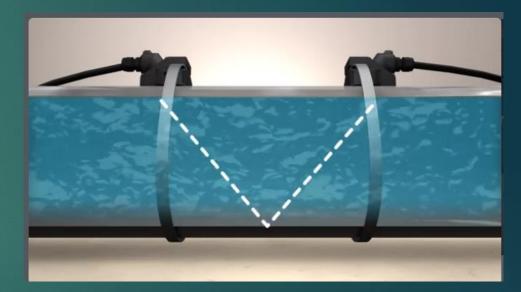
- Clamp-on meters simply clamp on to a pipe's exterior
 - No need to interrupt service, cut into a pipe or shut down operations to install them
- Ideal selection for both new and retrofit systems
 - Completely eliminate downtime
 - Completely eliminates pressure drops
 - ► Never comes in contact with fluid
 - Can be installed and set up within an hour





Benefit 2: Accurate Measurements

- Covers a wide range of flow rates
- Offers impressive measurement with accuracy up to $\pm 0.5\%$.
 - ► <u>Dynasonics[®] Ultrasonic</u>
- Many HVAC professionals choose clamp-on meters as a long-term solution
 - Offer better accuracies than some traditional meters do, even when measuring liquids with small amounts of particulates, or with changes in temperature, viscosity, density or pressure







Benefit 3: Reduce Maintenance



- Simple design of clamp-on transducers and an electronic converter
- No moving parts and never touch the internal fluid
 - Greatly reduces, if not eliminates, the need for maintenance
- Don't experience wear and tear over time or require frequent calibration
 - Greatly reduces cost of ownership compared to some in-line meters





Benefit 4: Portable Design

- Portable design makes clamp-on meters an asset in verifying flow or troubleshooting another meter without disrupting liquid flow or cutting into a pipe
- Easy to install and configure
- ► Fit a variety of pipe sizes
 - Measure the accuracy of most any aging or malfunctioning meter with a single portable clamp-on meter
- Facility managers use them to help identify when another meter may be due for preventive maintenance
 - Oftentimes, portable ultrasonic clamp-on meters are the key to identifying issues and reducing water loss





Choosing the Right Flow Meter for Your Application

- The building design and construction and HVAC industries have many applications that require flow meters, from measuring flow in <u>cooling tower blowdown</u> and make-up water applications to monitoring water usage for <u>tenant cost allocation/sub-metering</u>. If you're in the market for a flow meter, work with a flow instrumentation expert who can address your application's unique requirements.
- Ultrasonic clamp-on meters are a leading option for many applications, but there may be another flow instrumentation technology that's better suited to maintain a safe, efficient and profitable application. Review the different types available and then contact a flow instrumentation pro if you'd like to discuss your custom solution.
- Learn more about Badger Meter's solutions for HVAC applications and how the right metering technology can make all the difference in improving your operations at <u>http://www.technicalair.com/badger-meter</u>
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