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The Weights and Measures (Packaged Goods) Regulations 2006

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1. Structured Information Line

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2. Member State

United Kingdom

3. Department Responsible

Department of Trade and Industry: Standards and Technical Regulations Directorate

3. Originating Department

Department of Trade and Industry

4. Notification Number

2005/0675/UK – C50A



5. Title

The Weights and Measures (Packaged Goods) Regulations 2006

6. Products Concerned

Products covered by the draft regulation are goods (especially food and drink) which are packaged in pre-determined constant quantities.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The draft Regulations reimplement Directives 75/106/EEC and 76/211/EEC, on the making up by weight or volume of certain prepackaged products. The essence of these Directives is that prepackages may bear the “e” sign provided that they are marked with an indication of net quantity and with details of the person responsible for ensuring conformity, and provided the actual contents do not fall short of the indicated quantity by more than a statistically specified amount. However, the draft Regulations are on certain points wider in scope than the Directives:

- (a) they also apply to two types of product which are not prepackages within the meaning of the Directive, namely knitting or rug yarn, and unpackaged bread.
- (b) they apply to prepackages up to 25 kg or L (the Directives apply only to prepackages up to 10 kg or L).
- (c) they apply to all prepackages falling within the specified range, irrespective of whether they bear the “e” sign or not.
- (d) they require indications of net quantity to be marked on outer containers, which in some cases would not be required by the Directives.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The draft Regulations provide a simpler implementation of the two Directives than the existing Regulations which they will replace. The aim is to reduce burdens on business and make the law easier to understand, while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

- e) No basic texts.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

No



14. Fiscal measures

No

15. Impact assessment

Information on the impact assessment can be found on page 27 of the consultation document.

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT Aspect

No.

The draft is in conformity with an international standard (OIML R79 and R87).

SPS Aspect

No

The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure in the sense of Annex A of the SPS Agreement.

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