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Weights and Measures (De-prescription) Regulations

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2. Member State



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3. Department Responsible

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3. Originating Department

Department of Trade and Industry/National Weights and Measures Laboratory

4. Notification Number

95/396/UK

5. Title

Weights and Measures (De-prescription) Regulations

6. Products Concerned

Various categories of weighing or measuring equipment

7. Notification Under Another Act

Not Applicable

8. Main Content

The draft Regulations amend earlier Regulations to remove controls from equipment so that it would be lawful to use the equipment for trade even if it had not been tested, passed as fit for such use and stamped by an inspector of weights and measures.

Where the earlier Regulations require the pattern or type of equipment to have been granted a certificate of suitability, this also would no longer be necessary. The removal of the controls would only apply where the equipment is used exclusively in transactions between a single buyer and a single seller, both parties being bodies corporate and making a written agreement. A copy of the agreement has to be sent to the local weights and measures authority.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The draft Regulations would introduce a measure of deregulation into this area. Where equipment is dedicated to transactions between a single buyer and a single seller, both of whom are bodies corporate, they may decide for themselves whether the equipment shall be subject to the normal controls or whether they will take responsibility themselves for ensuring the equipment is, and remains, a fair arbiter of the transactions between them.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

i Proposals for Weights and Measures (De-prescription) Regulations.

ii The earlier Regulations which are to be amended are referred to in the following earlier notifications:



93/0366/UK Weights and Measures Regulations 1963
95/0047/UK Cubic Measures (Ballast & Agricultural
Materials) Regulations 1978
94/0176/UK Weighing Equipment (Beltweighers) Regulations
1983
94/0175/UK Measuring Equipment (Liquid Fuel delivered
from Road)
85/0030/UK Weighing Equipment (Filling & Discontinuous
Totalising Automatic Weighing Machines)
Regulations 1986
86/0087/UK Weighing Equipment (Non-automatic Weighing
Machines) Regulations 1988
87/0180/UK Measuring Equipment (Cold-water Meters)
Regulations 1988
94/0175/UK Measuring Equipment (Liquid Fuel and
Lubricants) Regulations 1995
iii N/A

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

NO.

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

NO.

14. Fiscal measures

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