

Weights and Measures Regulations 2005

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**WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT
(CHAPTER 349)**

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES REGULATIONS 2005

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 7, 9, 10 and 37 of the Weights and Measures Act, the Minister for Trade and Industry hereby makes the following

Regulations:

PART I

PRELIMINARY

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Weights and Measures Regulations 2005 and shall come into operation on 1st January 2006.

Definitions

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

“International Recommendation” means an international recommendation published by OIML as a model regulation generally establishing the metrological characteristics required for the weighing and measuring instruments;

“liteng” means an unequal armed balance of a capacity not exceeding 16 tahl for traditional weighing of Chinese herbs;

“OIML” means the International Organisation of Legal Metrology.

PART II

APPLICATION

Application of Regulations

3. These Regulations shall apply to all weighing and measuring instruments for use for trade of the following categories:

- (a) alcoholic liquor measuring instruments;
- (b) litengs;
- (c) the following instruments as described in the First Schedule:
 - (i) automatic checkweigher instruments and catchweigher instruments;
 - (ii) automatic rail weighbridges;
 - (iii) direct mass flow instruments for quantities of liquids;

- (iv) discontinuous totalising automatic weighing instruments;
- (v) length measures;
- (vi) length measuring instruments;
- (vii) measuring systems for liquid other than water; and
- (viii) non-automatic weighing instruments.

Prescribed weighing and measuring instruments

4. The weighing and measuring instruments specified in regulation 3 are the instruments prescribed for the purposes of section 7(1) of the Act.

PART III

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR WEIGHING OR MEASURING INSTRUMENTS

Maximum permissible errors

5. Except for litengs, for the purposes of sections 7A and 7B of the Act, the maximum permissible errors for the weighing and measuring instruments to which these Regulations apply are as specified in the Second Schedule.

Litengs

6.—(1) The maximum permissible error for litengs for the purposes of sections 7A and 7B of the Act shall be ± 1 division for each string.

(2) The maximum permissible error for litengs for in-service inspections shall be twice the maximum permissible error on initial verification.

PART IV

INSPECTION AND TESTING

Dismantling weighing or measuring instrument for inspection and testing

7.—(1) An Authorised Verifier or inspector may require a person who presents a weighing or measuring instrument for inspection and testing to dismantle the instrument sufficiently to enable all its working parts to be inspected and tested.

(2) If any such requirement is not complied with, the Authorised Verifier or inspector