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WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Weights and Measures (Testing and Adjustment Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987

Made	*24th July 1987*
Coming into operation . .	*1st September 1987*

The Department of Economic Development, in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 2(2), 9(3), 31(12) and 43 of the Weights and Measures (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(**a**) and now vested in it(**b**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Weights and Measures (Testing and Adjustment Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987 and shall come into operation on 1st September 1987.

Amendment of the Weights and Measures (Packaged Goods) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979

2. For Regulation 14 of the Weights and Measures (Packaged Goods) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979(**c**) there shall be substituted the following Regulation:—

> "**14.** A prescribed fee shall be payable in respect of the inspection and testing of the equipment described in paragraphs 4, 9 and 11 of Schedule 4 with a view to its certification for the purposes respectively specified in paragraphs 4(*h*), 9(*d*) and 11(*e*) of that Schedule. The appropriate fee shall be payable whether or not the equipment in question is certified for the purposes mentioned.".

Prescribed fees

3.—(1) The Schedule shall have effect for prescribing the fee to be paid in respect of:—

(*a*) the testing of any item of weighing or measuring equipment to which Article 9 of the Weights and Measures (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 (hereinafter referred to as "the Order") applies with a view to its being passed as fit for use for trade and where necessary stamped;

(*b*) the inspection, testing and certification of the equipment described in paragraphs 4, 9 and 11 of Schedule 4 to the Weights and Measures (Packaged Goods) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979.

(a) S.I. 1981/231 (N.I. 10)
(b) By S.I. 1982/846 (N.I. 11) Art. 4
(c) S.R. 1979 No. 435; to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations

(2) The appropriate fee shall be payable whether or not the equipment is passed as fit for use for trade and stamped or certified for the purposes mentioned.

(3) The fee to be paid for the adjustment of any weight or measure in the course of a service provided pursuant to Article 43 of the Order shall be twice the amount prescribed as the fee for testing it.

Revocations

4. The Weights and Measures (Testing and Adjustment Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980(**a**) and the Weights and Measures (Testing and Adjustment Fees) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980(**b**) are hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Economic Development on 24th July 1987.

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(**a**) S.R. 1980 No. 15
(**b**) S.R. 1980 No. 456

SCHEDULE (Regulation 3)

In this Schedule, the symbols and abbreviations employed to refer to units of measurement refer to such units as follows:—

Imperial		Metric	
ft	— foot	m	— metre
in	— inch	m^3	— cubic metre
lb	— pound	kg	— kilogramme
oz	— ounce	L	— litre
gal	— gallon		
qt	— quart		
pt	— pint		
fl oz	— fluid ounce		

NOTE—previous fees in brackets.	£
A. Linear measures (with or without divisions or sub-divisions), each measure—	
(1) with imperial and metric scales, both being tested—	
the scales exceeding 10 ft and 3 m respectively ...	4·25 (4·00)
one scale exceeding 10 ft and the other not exceeding 3 m (or vice versa) ...	2·75 (2·60)
otherwise ...	1·45 (1·35)
(2) with imperial or metric scale or when only one scale is tested—	
exceeding 10 ft (if imperial) or 3 m (if metric) ...	2·15 (2·00)
otherwise ...	0·70 (0·65)
B. Capacity measures—	
(1) without divisions or sub-divisions—	
of glass or earthenware not exceeding 1 pt (if imperial) or 1L (if metric), submitted in quantities of one gross or more at any one time, per dozen ...	0·60 (0·55)
otherwise, each measure—	
not exceeding 1 qt (if imperial) or 1L (if metric) ...	0·20 (0·18)
exceeding 1 qt but not exceeding 1 gal (if imperial): exceeding 1L but not exceeding 5L (if metric) ...	0·43 (0·40)
imperial: exceeding 1 gal—	
for the first gallon of the capacity ...	0·43 (0·40)
for each additional gallon thereof ...	0·20 (0·18)
metric, exceeding 5L—	
for the first 5L of the capacity ...	0·43 (0·40)
for each additional 5L thereof ...	0·20 (0·18)

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	(2) with divisions or sub-divisions, each measure—	
	not exceeding 1 qt (if imperial) or 1L (if metric)—	
	with four graduations or less ...	0·27 (0·25)
	for each additional graduation ...	0·08 (0·07)
	exceeding 1 qt but not exceeding 1 gal (if imperial):	
	exceeding 1L but not exceeding 5L (if metric), each graduation ...	0·11 (0·10)
	exceeding 1 gal (if imperial) or 5L (if metric), each graduation ...	0·27 (0·25)
C.	Cubic ballast measures, each measure—	
	(1) brim measures, whether or not certificated ...	5·80 (5·45)
	(2) measures, other than brim measures—	
	exceeding 8 m^3 ...	16·55 (15·60)
	otherwise ...	12·40 (11·70)
D.	Measuring instruments for measuring liquid fuel or lubricants, or mixtures thereof, each instrument—	
	(1) container types, unsubdivided ...	6·45 (6·10)
	(2) multi-grade types (with a price-computing device and displays common to all grades)—	
	for retesting solely on the occasion of an adjustment in the price-computing device ...	6·45 (6·10)
	otherwise ...	21·70 (20·45)
	(3) other types (single)—	
	(with price-computing device) for retesting solely on the occasion of an adjustment in the price-computing device ...	3·30 (3·10)
	otherwise ...	13·05 (12·30)
E.	Measuring instruments for intoxicating liquor, each instrument—	
	not exceeding 2 fl oz ...	0·55 (0·50)
	otherwise ...	1·65 (1·55)
F.	Weights—	
	(1) imperial weights exceeding 10 lb, troy weights exceeding 10 oz troy, metric weights exceeding 5 kg each weight ...	0·43 (0·40)
	(2) otherwise, each weight ...	0·20 (0·18)
G.	Weighing instruments—	
	(1) instruments calibrated to weigh in both imperial and metric units—	