## 2001 No. 85

## WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

## The Weights and Measures (Metrication Amendments) Regulations 2001

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The Secretary of State, in exercise of his powers under sections 15(1) and 94(1) of the Weights and Measures Act  $1985(\mathbf{a})$  and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:-

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Weights and Measures (Metrication Amendments) Regulations 2001 and shall come into force on 8th February 2001.

2. On the coming into force of these Regulations, the Regulations specified in the Schedule to these Regulations shall be amended in the manner specified in regulation 3(1) below.

**3.**—(1) In respect of each of the Regulations listed in the Schedule, after the words "supplementary indication" or "supplementary indications" where those words appear for the first time in each of the regulations specified, there shall be inserted the words "up to and including 31st December 2009".

(2) In the Weighing Equipment (Automatic Gravimetric Filling Instruments) Regulations 2000(**b**), after regulation 6 there shall be inserted—

"6A. Where the indication of the exact quantity of material a filling instrument purports to weigh is given in metric units of measurement that indication may also be given by means of a supplementary indication up to and including 31st December 2009.".

Kim Howells, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Consumers and Corporate Affairs, Department of Trade and Industry

16th January 2001

(a) 1985 c. 72; section 94(1) contains a definition of "prescribed".

<sup>(</sup>**b**) S.I. 2000/388.

1. Regulation 12A of the Weighing Equipment (Beltweighers) Regulations 1983(a)

2. Regulations 11A and 16A of the Measuring Equipment (Liquid Fuel delivered from Road Tankers) Regulations 1983(b)

3. Regulation 7A of the Measuring Equipment (Intoxicating Liquor) Regulations 1983(c)

**4.** Regulation 12A of the Weighing Equipment (Filling and Discontinuous Totalising Automatic Weighing Machines) Regulations 1986(**d**)

5. Regulation 17A of the Measuring Equipment (Measures of Length) Regulations 1986(e)

6. Regulation 10(6) of the Capacity Serving Measures (Intoxicating Liquor) Regulations 1988(f)

7. Regulation 16(7)(b) of the Measuring Equipment (Capacity Measures and Testing Equipment) Regulations 1995(g)

8. Regulation 8(4) of the Measuring Equipment (Liquid Fuel and Lubricants) Regulations 1995(h)

9. Regulation 18 of the Weighing Equipment (Non-automatic Weighing Machines) Regulations 2000(i)

- (c) S.I. 1983/1656, as amended by S.I. 1984/273 and 1994/1851.
- (d) S.I. 1986/1320, as amended by S.I. 1994/1851, 1996/797 and 2000/387.

(e) S.I. 1986/1682, as amended by S.I. 1986/2109, 1994/1851, 1996/2636 and 1996/3020.

(f) S.I. 1988/120, as amended by S.I. 1993/2060 and 1994/1851.

(g) S.I. 1995/735.

(h) S.I. 1995/1014.
(i) S.I. 2000/932.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations implement in part the amendments made by Directive 1999/103/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24th January 2000 (OJ No. L34, 9.2.2000, p.17) to Council Directive 80/181/EEC (OJ No. L39, 15.2.1980, p.40) which relates to the use of units of measurement for economic, public health, public safety or administrative purposes to permit the use of non-metric units of measurement as "supplementary indications" until 31st December 2009. These Regulations accordingly amend a number of Regulations, as specified in the Schedule, made under the Weights and Measures Act 1963 or the Weights and Measures Act 1985 on weighing and measuring equipment in use for trade. These Regulations insert the date of 31st December 2009 as the final date for the use of supplementary indications (the Schedule) and provide for the use of supplementary indications until that date in other Regulations (regulation 3(2)).

A Regulatory Impact Assessment of the costs and benefits which will result from these Regulations has been prepared. Copies have been placed in the Libraries of both Houses of Parliament and can also be obtained from the National Weights and Measures Laboratory, Stanton Avenue, Teddington, Middlesex TW11 0JZ.



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<sup>(</sup>a) S.I. 1983/914, as amended by S.I. 1994/1851.

<sup>(</sup>b) S.I. 1983/1390, as amended by S.I. 1986/1210, 1994/1851 and 1995/3117.