

**2002 No. 308**

**WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

**Weights and Measures (Passing as Fit for Use for Trade and Adjustment Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002**

*Made* - - - - - *3rd October 2002*

*Coming into operation* *4th November 2002*

The Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment<sup>(a)</sup>, in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 9(3) and 43 of the Weights and Measures (Northern Ireland) Order 1981<sup>(b)</sup> and now vested in it<sup>(c)</sup> 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 (Passing as Fit for Use for Trade and Adjustment Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002 and shall come into operation on 4th November 2002.

**Revocation and saving**

**2.—(1)** Subject to paragraph (2), the Weights and Measures (Testing and Adjustment Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992<sup>(d)</sup> are hereby revoked.

(2) The Regulations referred to in paragraph (1) shall continue to apply in relation to any test carried out or adjustment service provided before 4th November 2002.

**Interpretation**

**3.** In these Regulations –

“the Order” means the Weights and Measures (Northern Ireland) Order 1981; and

“the 1984 Regulations” means the Measuring Equipment (Liquid Fuel by Road Tanker) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984<sup>(e)</sup>

**Prescribed fees**

**4.—(1)** In the Schedule –

(a) Part I shall have effect for prescribing the fee to be paid with a view to having any item of weighing or measuring equipment to which Article 9 of the Order applies passed as fit for use for trade and where necessary stamped; and

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(a) Formerly known as the Department of Economic Development; *see* S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1), Art. 3(5)

(b) S.I. 1981/231 (N.I. 10) as amended by 2000 c. 5 (N.I.)

(c) By S.I. 1982/846 (N.I. 11) Art. 4

(d) S.R. 1992 No. 483

(e) S.R. 1984 No. 117 as amended by S.R. 1986 No. 307, S.R. 1995 No. 228, S.R. 1997 No. 220 and S.R. 2002 No. 71

(b) Part II shall have effect for prescribing the fee to be paid with a view to having any item of weighing or measuring equipment to which Article 9B of the Order applies passed as fit for use for trade and where necessary stamped.

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

(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 an amount calculated in accordance with the fee prescribed in paragraph D of Part I of the Schedule.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment on 3rd October 2002.

(L.S.)

*Michael J. Bohill*

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SCHEDULE

regulation 4

PART I

ITEMS OF WEIGHING OR MEASURING EQUIPMENT TO WHICH ARTICLE 9 OF THE ORDER APPLIES

In this Part, the abbreviation employed to refer to the kilogramme unit of measurement is kg.

| NOTE – previous fees in brackets (if applicable)   | £                    |          |
|--|----------------------|----------|
| A. Measuring equipment for measuring liquid fuel or lubricants, or mixtures thereof, each instrument –   |                      |          |
| (1) single type  | 58.00                | (53.00)  |
| (2) multi-product types with two sales indicators common to each delivery nozzle when in use   | 94.00                | (85.00)  |
| (3) multi-product types with one sales indicator common to each delivery nozzle when in use –  |                      |          |
| two meters and associated sales indicator  | 81.00                | (74.00)  |
| three meters and associated sales indicator  | 110.00               | (101.00) |
| four or more meters and associated sales indicator   | 152.00               | (138.00) |
| B. Non-automatic weighing equipment, each item of equipment or (if fitted with two or more weigh tables or platforms connected to one or more indicating mechanisms), each weigh table or platform – capacity as marked on the equipment – |                      |          |
| not exceeding 100 kg   | 16.00                | (—)      |
| exceeding 100 kg but not exceeding 1 tonne   | 36.00                | (—)      |
| exceeding 1 tonne but not exceeding 5 tonnes   | 86.00                | (78.00)  |
| exceeding 5 tonnes but not exceeding 30 tonnes   | 186.00               | (170.00) |
| exceeding 30 tonnes  | 280.00               | (255.00) |
| C. Measuring equipment for measuring liquid fuel delivered from road tankers –   |                      |          |
| (1) meter measuring systems, each system –   |                      |          |
| basic fee  | 80.00                | (72.50)  |
| where more than one liquid is used in testing, each additional liquid  | 22.00                | (20.50)  |
| for retesting of a system solely on the occasion of an occurrence as defined in either regulation 65 or 66 of the 1984 Regulations   | 16.00                | (14.50)  |
| (2) dipstick measuring systems, each system –  |                      |          |
| basic fee (for calibration of each compartment and production of calibration chart)  | 91.00                | (83.00)  |
| initial dipstick   | 11.00                | (9.50)   |
| spare dipstick   | 11.00                | (9.50)   |
| replacement dipstick   | 22.00                | (20.50)  |
| In this paragraph the expressions “meter measuring system”, “replacement dipstick”, “road tanker” and “spare dipstick” shall have the meanings given to them by regulation 2(1) of the 1984 Regulations.                                   |                      |          |
| D. Any item of weighing or measuring equipment not falling within paragraph A, B, or C of this Part –  |                      |          |
| per man/hour spent at the place of submission  | Inspector rate 28.00 | (—)      |
|  | Assistant rate 19.00 | (—)      |

PART II

ITEMS OF WEIGHING OR MEASURING EQUIPMENT TO WHICH ARTICLE 9B OF THE ORDER APPLIES

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| Any item of weighing or measuring equipment to which Article 9B of the Order applies –<br>per man/hour spent at the place of submission | Inspector rate 28.00<br>Assistant rate 19.00 |

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations prescribe the fees to be paid in having certain weighing or measuring equipment passed as fit for use for trade by inspectors of weights and measures and for the adjustment by them of weights and measures.

The Regulations additionally make provision for:

- (a) the rationalisation and simplification of the structure of fees previously prescribed under the Weights and Measures (Testing and Adjustment Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 (S.R. 1992 No. 483) (“the 1992 Regulations”); and
- (b) an increase in the fees by an average of 10%.

The 1992 Regulations are revoked except in relation to any test carried out or adjustment service provided before 4th November 2002.

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