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WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

**The Measuring Instruments (Intoxicating Liquor)
 (Amendment) Regulations 1979**

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<i>Coming into Operation</i>	12th February 1979

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 11(3), 14(1), 54(1) and 58 of the Weights and Measures Act 1963(a) and now vested in him(b), and all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Measuring Instruments (Intoxicating Liquor) (Amendment) Regulations 1979 and shall come into operation on 12th February 1979.

(2) The Measuring Instruments (Intoxicating Liquor) (Amendment) Regulations 1969(c) are hereby revoked.

2.—The Measuring Instruments (Intoxicating Liquor) Regulations 1965(d), shall have effect as if—

(a) for Regulation 4 there were substituted the following:—

“4.—(1) Every measuring instrument for use in measuring intoxicating liquor other than beer or cider shall be fitted—

(a) with adequate sight glasses, observation windows or other devices for showing clearly that any measuring chamber is properly charged and discharged; or

(b) with a device or devices which prevent—

(i) any liquid being discharged by any measuring chamber until the chamber is properly charged; and

(ii) any measuring chamber being charged anew until it has been properly discharged.

(2) Every measuring instrument for use in measuring beer or cider shall be fitted with a device or devices mentioned in paragraph (1)(b) above;

Provided that this paragraph shall not apply until 1 January 1982 in relation to any instrument stamped as fit for use for trade before 12th February 1979 if it is fitted with adequate sight glasses, observation windows or other devices mentioned in paragraph (1)(a) above.”;

(a) 1963 c. 31. (b) S.I. 1970/1537. (c) S.I. 1969/67.
 (d) S.I. 1965/1815 as amended by S.I. 1969/67.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations further amend the Measuring Instruments (Intoxicating Liquor) Regulations 1965. The previous amending Regulations are revoked (Reg.1(2)).

The principal effect of the changes is that measuring instruments used for measuring beer and cider are no longer permitted to be fitted with sight glasses, windows or other devices for showing that the measuring chamber is properly charged and discharged as an alternative to being fitted with devices which prevent any liquid being discharged from the chamber before it is full. That change does not apply until 1 January 1982 in relation to such instruments stamped as fit for use for trade before 12th February 1979 which are fitted with such sight glasses etc as aforesaid (Reg.2(a)).

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