

## 1980 No. 1742

## WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

## The Units of Measurement (No.2) Regulations 1980

<i>Made - - - -</i>	14th November 1980
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	21st November 1980
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	12th December 1980

The Secretary of State, being a Minister designated (a) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 (b) in relation to units of measurement to be used for economic, health, safety or administrative purposes, in exercise of powers conferred by that section and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Units of Measurement (No.2) Regulations 1980 and shall come into operation on 12th December 1980.

2. At the beginning of Regulation 4(2) of the Units of Measurement Regulations 1978(c) there shall be inserted the following:—

“Notwithstanding anything in these Regulations or in the Units of Measurement Regulations 1980(d),”.

3. The Units of Measurement Regulations 1980 are hereby amended as follows:—

(a) at the beginning of Regulation 10(2) and 10(3) there shall be inserted the following:—

“Notwithstanding anything in this Part or in Part IV of these Regulations,”;

(b) after Regulation 15 there shall be added the following Regulation:—

“16. Where any byelaw made or continuing in force under paragraph 5 of Schedule 6 to, or paragraph 2 or 4 of Part IV of Schedule 7 to, the Act of 1963 refers to any of the following units of measurement namely ton, hundredweight, quarter or stone, that reference shall be deemed to be a reference to the equivalent number of pounds in relation to that unit referred to in Part VA of Schedule 1 to that Act.”.

4. The Weights and Measures (Local Standards: Limits of Error) Regulations 1970(e) are hereby amended in the Table headed “WEIGHTS” in the Schedule as follows:—

(a) there shall be inserted at the beginning the words:—  
“*Imperial System*”;

(b) after “½ oz” there shall be inserted “or less”;

(c) there shall be added at the end the following:—

(a) S.I. 1976/897.

(b) 1972 c.68.

(c) S.I. 1978/484.

(d) S.I. 1980/1070.

(e) S.I. 1970/1710, amended by S.I. 1980/1070

*"Metric System.**(a) Metric weights other than carat (metric) weights*

Local Standard of—	Limit of error, in milligrammes
20 kg ... ..	150
10 kg ... ..	100
5 kg ... ..	50
2 kg ... ..	30
1 kg ... ..	20
500 g or 200 g ... ..	10
100 g ... ..	4
50 g ... ..	3
20 g or 15 g ... ..	2
10 g, 5 g, 4 g, 3 g, or 2 g	1
1 g, 500, 400, 300, 200, 150, 100 or 50 mg ...	0.4
20 mg ... ..	0.2
10 mg ... ..	0.1
5, 2 or 1 mg ... ..	0.04

*(b) Carat (metric) weights*

Local Standard of— C.M.	Limit of error, in milligrammes
500 or 200 ... ..	1
100 or 50 ... ..	0.4
20, 10, 5, 2 or 1 ... ..	0.2
0.5, 0.25, 0.2 ... ..	0.1
0.1 or less ... ..	0.04

5. The Working Standards and Testing Equipment (Testing and Adjustment) Regulations 1970(a) are hereby amended in the Schedule as follows:—

(a) after "½ oz" there shall be inserted "or less";

(b) at the end of Table 2 there shall be added the following:—

*"Metric System**(a) Metric weights other than carat (metric) weights*

Working Standard of—	Limit of error, in milligrammes
20 kg ... ..	300
10 kg ... ..	200
5 kg ... ..	100
2 kg ... ..	60
1 kg ... ..	40
500 or 200 g ... ..	20
100 g ... ..	8
50 g ... ..	6
20 or 15 g ... ..	4
10, 5, 4, 3, or 2 g;	2
1 g, 500, 400, 300, 200, 150, 100 or 50 mg ... ..	0.8
20 mg ... ..	0.4
10 mg ... ..	0.2
5 or 2 mg ... ..	0.08
1 mg ... ..	0.04

*(b) Carat (metric) weights*

Working Standard of— C.M.	Limit of error, in milligrammes
500 or 200 ... ..	2.0
100 or 50 ... ..	0.8
20, 10, 5, 2 or 1 ... ..	0.4
0.5, 0.25 or 0.2 ... ..	0.2
0.1 or less ... ..	0.08

(a) S.I. 1970/1714, amended by S.I. 1980/1070.

(c) in Table 5, in paragraph (a), there shall be inserted after the sixth entry the following entry:—

“ „ „ 2lb „ „ „ „ 1lb „ „ | 26 mg”.

6.—(1) The provisions of the Units of Measurement Regulations 1978 specified in the Schedule hereto are hereby revoked to the extent shown in column 3 of the Schedule.

(2) The Weights and Measures Act (Amendment of Schedules 1 and 3) Order 1970 (a) is hereby revoked.

14th November 1980.

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## THE SCHEDULE

*Regulation 6(1)*

## REVOCATIONS

Column 1 Provisions in the Units of Measurement Regulations 1978 revoked	Column 2 References	Column 3 Extent of revocation
Regulation 6 In Schedule 2, the amendments relating to the following enactments and in- struments:—		The whole.
Weights and Measures Act 1963, as amended by the Weights and Measures &c. Act 1976.	1963 c.31, as amended by 1976 c.77.	The amend- ments relating to Schedules 1, 1A and 3.
The Weights and Measures Regula- tions 1963, as amended by the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Regula- tions 1972.	S.I. 1963/1710, as amended by S.I. 1972/767.	The amend- ments relating to Schedule 2.
The Working Standards and Testing Equipment (Testing and Adjustment) Regulations 1970.	S.I. 1970/1714.	The whole.
The Weights and Measures (Local Standards: Limits of Error) Regula- tions 1970.	S.I. 1970/1710.	The whole.
Weights and Measures Act (Northern Ireland) 1967 as amended by the Weights and Measures &c. Act 1976.	1967 c.6 (N.I.), as amended by 1976 c.77.	The whole.
The Weights and Measures (Testing and Adjustment Fees) Regulations 1976.	S.I. 1976/1807.	The whole.
The Annex to Part I of Schedule 2.		The whole.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations implement Council Directive No. 71/354/EEC (O.J. No. L243, 29.10.1971, p. 29), as amended by Council Directives Nos. 76/770/EEC (O.J. No. L262, 27.9.1976, p. 204) and 80/181/EEC (O.J. No. L39, 15.2.1980, p. 40) in relation to byelaws made by local authorities under Schedules 6 and 7 to the Weights and Measures Act 1963 relating to solid fuel and wood fuel, in so far as the byelaws refer to tons, hundredweights, quarters and stones which are not authorised for use in the circumstances specified in Article 2 of Directive 80/181/EEC.

The Regulations also clarify certain savings provisions in the Units of Measurement Regulations 1978 and 1980 and correct certain omissions made in the Units of Measurement Regulations 1980 in relation to Tables in the Schedule to the Working Standards and Testing Equipment (Testing and Adjustment) Regulations 1970 and the Weights and Measures (Local Standards: Limits of Error) Regulations 1970. They revoke certain provisions of the Units of Measurement Regulations 1978 relating to parts of enactments and instruments replaced by the Units of Measurement Regulations 1980, together with the Weights and Measures Act (Amendment of Schedules 1 and 3) Order 1970, which also relates to a part of the Weights and Measures Act 1963 replaced by those Regulations.

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