
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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HEALTH AND SAFETY

**The Gasholders and Steam Boilers
Regulations (Metrication) Regulations 1981**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>1st May 1981</i>
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<i>Coming into Operation</i>		<i>1st July 1981</i>

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 49 of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974(1) (“the 1974 Act”) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf and for the purpose of giving effect without modifications to proposals submitted to him by the Health and Safety Commission under section 11(2)(d) of the 1974 Act after the carrying out by the said Commission of consultations in accordance with section 50(3) of that Act, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Gasholders and Steam Boilers Regulations (Metrication) Regulations 1981 and shall come into operation on 1st July 1981.

Revocation relating to the Gasholders (Record of Examinations) Order 1938

2. In Article 1(iv)(b) of the Gasholders (Record of Examinations) Order 1938 the words “in cubic feet” are hereby revoked.

Amendments to the Examination of Steam Boilers Regulations 1964 to substitute metric measurements for imperial measurements

3. The provisions of the Examination of Steam Boilers Regulations 1964 specified in the Schedule to these Regulations in column 1 shall be amended by substituting for the measurements set out opposite thereto in column 3 the measurements set out in the corresponding entry in column 4.

(1) section 49 was amended by the Employment Protection Act 1975 (c.71), sections 116 and 125(3) and Schedule 15, paragraph 15 and Schedule 18.

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Signed by order of the Secretary of State.

1st May 1981

David Waddington
Joint Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
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THE SCHEDULE

Regulation 3

AMENDMENTS TO THE EXAMINATION OF STEAM BOILERS REGULATIONS 1964

<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Regulation to be amended</i>	<i>Subject matter of measurement</i>	<i>Present measurement</i>	<i>Measurement to be substituted</i>
Regulation 4(2)(a)	Evaporative capacity of a water tube boiler of which the drums and headers are of fusion welded or solid forged construction	50,000 pounds of steam per hour	6.3 kilograms of steam per second
Regulation 4(2)(b)(i)	Evaporative capacity of a boiler in a group of water tube boilers of which the drums and headers are of fusion welded or solid forged construction	25,000 pounds of steam per hour	3.15 kilograms of steam per second
Regulation 4(2)(b)(ii)	Total evaporative capacity of a group of boilers	100,000 pounds of steam per hour	12.6 kilograms of steam per second

EXPLANATORY NOTE

These Regulations amend—

- (a) the Gasholders (Record of Examinations) Order 1938; and
- (b) the Examination of Steam Boilers Regulations 1964;

by revoking certain words which refer to imperial units and by substituting amounts or quantities expressed in metric units for amounts or quantities not so expressed. The amendments preserve the effect of the original provisions except to the extent necessary to obtain amounts expressed in suitable and convenient terms.