
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1988 No. 120

**The Capacity Serving Measures
(Intoxicating Liquor) Regulations 1988**

**PART I
GENERAL**

Citation, commencement and revocation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Capacity Serving Measures (Intoxicating Liquor) Regulations 1988 and shall come into force on 1st July 1988.

(2) The Capacity Measures (Intoxicating Liquor) Regulations 1983(1) are hereby revoked.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations —

“the Act” means the Weights and Measures Act 1985;

“analogue” means capable of assigning any value or position within a continuous range;

“capacity serving measure” means a capacity measure made of transparent glass or plastic and intended to determine a specified volume of intoxicating liquor for delivery to the consumer;

“digital” means capable of assigning only certain discrete values or positions within a continuous range by a series of discontinuous steps;

“discrimination threshold” means, in the case of weighing equipment with a digital indicator, the weight which produces a change of reading of one digit, and in the case of weighing equipment with an analogue indicator, the weight which produces a 1 millimetre movement of the pointer; and

“the stamp” means the prescribed stamp(2).

(2) The abbreviations of, and symbols for, units of measurement used in these Regulations refer to the relevant units as follows —

Imperial System		Metric System	
fluid ounce	fl oz	gram	g
pint	pt	millilitre	ml
gallon	gal	millimetre	mm
		litre	l or L
Degree Celsius °C		

(1) S.I.1983/1655.

(2) See 1968/1615.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Application

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) below, these Regulations apply to the following capacity serving measures for use for trade for the purposes of measuring and serving intoxicating liquor for consumption on or off the premises at which it is sold, namely measures of —

Imperial System	Metric System
4 fl oz	100 ml
5 fl oz (1 gill)	125 ml
6 fl oz	150 ml
$\frac{1}{3}$ pt	175 ml
8 fl oz	200 ml
$\frac{1}{2}$ pt	250 ml
1 pt	500 ml
2 pt (1 quart)	1 l
4 pt ($\frac{1}{2}$ gal)	2 l

(2) These Regulations do not apply to liquid capacity measures specified in paragraph 4 of Schedule 4 to the Weights and Measures (Packaged Goods) Regulations 1986⁽³⁾ for use only for making up or checking packages in accordance with section 49(1) or (2)(a) of the Act.

(3) Capacity serving measures to which these Regulations apply are hereby prescribed for the purposes of section 11(1) of the Act.

(4) The Weights and Measures Regulations 1963⁽⁴⁾ are hereby amended in regulation 1(2) by the deletion of sub-paragraph (h) and the substitution therefor of the following sub-paragraph:

“(h) capacity serving measures to which the Capacity Serving Measures (Intoxicating Liquor) Regulations 1988 apply.”.

⁽³⁾ S.I. 1986/2049

⁽⁴⁾ S.I. 1963.1710; regulation 1(2) has been amended by S.I. 1977/1932, 1979/1612, 1983/914 and 1655.