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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2006 No. 1257**

**WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

**The Measuring Instruments (Automatic  
Catchweighers) Regulations 2006**

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**THE MEASURING INSTRUMENTS (AUTOMATIC  
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4. The body shall be capable of carrying out all the...
5. The body's staff shall have— (a) sound technical and vocational...
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7. The body shall satisfy the Secretary of State that it...
8. The body's director and staff shall be bound to observe...

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1. The technical documentation shall render the design, manufacture and operation...
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3. The technical documentation shall include insofar as relevant for assessment...
4. The manufacturer shall specify where seals and markings have been...
5. The manufacturer shall indicate the conditions for compatibility with interfaces...

## SCHEDULE 4 — MARKING AND INSCRIPTIONS

1. The CE marking consists of the symbol “CE” according to...
2. The M marking consists of the capital letter “M” and...
3. The identification number of the notified body concerned shall follow...
4. When an automatic catchweigher consists of a set of devices...
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## SCHEDULE 5 — MAXIMUM PERMISSIBLE ERRORS APPLICABLE TO AN AUTOMATIC CATCHWEIGHER FOR USE FOR TRADE

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1. In regulation 2(2), the reference to the Weights and Measures...
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3. In regulation 20— (a) for paragraph (1), substitute the following...
4. In regulation 28— (a) the reference in paragraph (3) to...

5. In regulation 34(3) the reference to sub-section (1) of section...

Explanatory Note