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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

DEFINITIONS OF UNITS OF MEASUREMENT

PART I

MEASUREMENT OF LENGTH

Metric units

Kilometre =	1000 metres.
METRE	[^{F1} for which the symbol “m” is used, is the SI unit of length, defined by taking the fixed numerical value of the speed of light in vacuum c to be 299 792 458 when expressed in the unit m/s, where the second is defined by taking the fixed numerical value of the caesium frequency $\Delta\nu_{\text{Cs}}$, the unperturbed ground-state hyperfine transition frequency of the caesium 133 atom, to be 9 192 631 770 when expressed in the unit Hz, which is equal to s^{-1} .]
Decimetre =	1/10 metre.
Centimetre =	1/100 metre.
Millimetre =	1/1000 metre.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in Sch. 1 Pt. 1 substituted (13.6.2020) by [The Weights and Measures Act 1985 \(Definitions of Metre and Kilogram\) \(Amendment\) Order 2020 \(S.I. 2020/586\)](#), arts. 1(b), **2(2)**

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