
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1995 No. 1014

The Measuring Equipment (Liquid Fuel and Lubricants) Regulations 1995

PRELIMINARY

Citation, commencement, interpretation and revocation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Measuring Equipment (Liquid Fuel and Lubricants) Regulations 1995 and shall come into force on 4th May 1995.

(2) In these Regulations—

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

“certificate of approval” means a certificate of approval of a pattern of measuring equipment granted or renewed by the Secretary of State under section 12 of the Act;

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

“liquid fuel” includes liquid fuel, lubricants and any mixture of liquid fuel and lubricants;

“measuring equipment” means any measuring equipment, other than a capacity measure, including a measuring device, ancillary equipment associated with it and any other equipment physically or otherwise connected to it whether or not such equipment has been connected to ensure correct measurement or is intended to facilitate operation of the measuring device and ancillary equipment;

“minimum delivery” means the smallest quantity of liquid fuel which the measuring equipment is designed to measure;

“notice of examination” means a notice of examination giving particulars of a pattern caused to be published by the Secretary of State;

“pattern” has the meaning set out in regulation 4(1) below;

“prescribed limits of error” has the meaning set out in regulation 17 below;

“the stamp” means the prescribed stamp⁽¹⁾; and

“test liquid” shall be construed in accordance with regulation 10.

(3) The abbreviations of units of measurement used in these Regulations refer to the relevant units as follows—

litre	L
millilitre	mL
millimetre	mm
millipascal second	mPa.s

(1) See S.I.1968/1615.

(4) The Measuring Equipment (Liquid Fuel and Lubricants) Regulations 1988(2) are hereby revoked.

Application

2.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) below, these Regulations shall apply to all measuring equipment for use for trade in the making of any measurement of liquid fuel in a quantity not exceeding 20 gallons if it is constructed to measure in imperial units, or 100 L if it is constructed to measure in metric units, other than equipment for use for trade in the making of any measurement of liquefied petroleum gas; and measuring equipment to which these Regulations apply is hereby prescribed for the purposes of section 11(1) of the Act.

(2) Nothing in these Regulations shall apply to any measuring equipment for use for the measurement by capacity of liquid fuel in a quantity not exceeding 100 L which, in accordance with a programme of automatic control and without the intervention of an operator during the measuring process, measures quantities of those products to a constant nominal capacity, the quantities being kept separate.

(3) On 1st October 1995, in paragraph (1) above, the words “20 gallons if it is constructed to measure in imperial units, or” and “if it is constructed to measure in metric units,” shall be omitted.

Purposes of use for trade

3. No person shall use for trade any measuring equipment fitted with a price to pay indicating device in digital form if it indicates during a measuring operation a part of a penny in the amount of the price to be paid by the buyer.