
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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Meters (Approval of Pattern or Construction and Manner of Installation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998

Notification of approval

7.—(1) Where a meter examiner concludes that the pattern or construction of the meter or the manner of its installation complies with regulation 5(3) or is such that any meter of that pattern or construction or any such meter installed in that manner will be capable of satisfying the requirements set out in regulation 5(1), the meter examiner shall issue a notification of approval of the applicant, and a notification of approval may notify approval both of the pattern or construction of the meter and of the manner of its installation.

(2) A notification of approval for the purpose of paragraph (1) shall specify—

- (a) the type or model number referred to in the application submitted under regulation 4(1)(a);
- (b) (where the approval is of the pattern or construction of the meter and the meter contains more than one register of or relating to the quantity of electricity supplied) the maximum number of registers for which the approval is given;
- (c) (where the approval is of the manner of installation of the meter) subject to paragraph (3), the approved manner of its installation;
- (d) the conditions as to the use of the meter subject to which the approval is given,

and shall relate only to a meter of the pattern or construction and containing the components described in the application.

(3) The approved manner of installation of a meter shall be by affixing it in a vertical position to a secure surface and connecting it to the electric line providing the supply in accordance with the manner specified on the meter, unless the notification of approval otherwise provides.

(4) A notification of approval under this regulation may contain a condition that the approval will cease within such period as the Director shall determine.

(5) Where a notification of approval contains a condition under paragraph (4), any person may apply to the Director for the renewal of that approval not more than three months before the date upon which the period will expire.

(6) An application under paragraph (5) shall—

- (a) contain the information specified in the Schedule and be signed by the person making the application; and
- (b) be accompanied by not less than three meters of the pattern or construction to which the notification in question relates.

(7) For the purposes of these Regulations a meter which is installed at an inclination of not more than three degrees from the vertical in any direction shall be deemed to have been installed in a vertical position.