
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations prescribe the fees to be paid in respect of EC verification under the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) Regulations 1988 (“the 1988 Regulations”) and the Non-automatic Weighing Instruments Regulations 2000 (“the 2000 Regulations”) and increase them by an average of 14%.

Regulation 4 and Schedule 1 prescribe the fees to be paid in respect of EEC initial verification of measuring instruments. The obligations of the Department relating to EEC initial verification are as required by regulation 13 of and Schedule 3 to the 1988 Regulations.

Regulation 5 and Schedule 2 prescribe the fees to be paid in respect of EC verification of non-automatic weighing instruments. The obligations of the Department relating to EC verification are as required by regulation 11 and, where applicable, regulation 14 of the 2000 Regulations. By a designation numbered 0326, the Department was designated as an approved body under those Regulations. Additionally Schedule 2 now makes reference to the capacity of non-automatic weighing instruments as being in kilogrammes rather than tonnes.

The Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Verification Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002 are revoked except in relation to any verification carried out before 29th December 2003.