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## WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

**The Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Amendment)  
Regulations 1983**

<i>Made</i>	- - -	<i>5th April 1983</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>7th April 1983</i>
<i>Coming into Operation</i>		<i>1st May 1983</i>

The Secretary of State, being a Minister designated(a) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(b) in relation to the regulation of specifications, construction, placing on the market and use of equipment intended for weighing, measuring or testing or for purposes ancillary thereto, in exercise of the powers conferred by that section, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations 1983 and shall come into operation on 1st May 1983.

2. The Alcoholometers and Alcohol Hydrometers (EEC Requirements) Regulations 1977(c) are hereby amended as follows:—

- (a) in Regulation 2(1), at the end of the definition of “the Directive” there shall be inserted the words “,as amended by Commission Directive No. 82/624/EEC.”(d);
- (b) for any reference to the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) Regulations 1975(e) there shall be substituted a reference to the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) Regulations 1980 (f);
- (c) in Regulation 5, the words from “with the following modifications” onwards shall be deleted; and
- (d) in Regulation 8(2) for the figure “10” there shall be substituted the figure “11”.

3. In Regulation 2(1) of the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) Regulations 1980, at the end of the definition of “the Directive on non-automatic weighing machines” there shall be inserted the words “,as amended by Commission Directive No. 82/622/EEC;”(g) and at the end of the definition of “the Directive on measuring systems for liquids other than water” there shall be inserted the words “,as amended by Commission Directive No. 82/625/EEC;”(h).

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5th April 1983.

(a) S.I. 1975/427.

(b) 1972 c.68.

(c) S.I. 1977/1753.

(d) OJ No. L 252, 27.8.1982, p.8.

(e) S.I. 1975/1173.

(f) S.I. 1980/1058, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

(g) OJ No. L 252, 27.8.1982, p.2.

(h) OJ No. L 252, 27.8.1982, p.10.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations make certain changes in the Alcoholometers and Alcohol Hydrometers (EEC Requirements) Regulations 1977 and the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) Regulations 1980, in order to give effect from 1st May 1983 to Commission Directives which adapt to technical progress the requirements of certain Council Directives on the approximation of the laws of member States relating to measuring instruments.

The 1977 Regulations implemented Council Directive No. 76/765/EEC. Commission Directive No. 82/624/EEC substitutes for section 9 of the Annex to the 1976 Directive new provisions about thermometers used in determining alcoholic strength. The definition of the 1976 Directive in the Regulations is amended accordingly. The opportunity has been taken to substitute references to the 1980 Regulations for those to the 1975 Regulations which they replaced, to correct the reference in Regulation 8(2) to Regulation 10 by substituting a reference to Regulation 11, and to delete the references to fees in Regulation 5: provision for fees is now made in the Measuring Instruments (EEC Pattern Approval Requirements) (Fees) (No.2) Regulations 1981 (S.I.1981/1825) as amended by S.I. 1983/280 and in the Measuring Instruments (EEC Initial Verification Requirements) (Fees) Regulations 1982 (S.I. 1982/811).

In the 1980 Regulations, the definition of the Directive on non-automatic weighing machines (Council Directive No. 73/360/EEC) is amended to incorporate a reference to Commission Directive No. 82/622/EEC which makes a number of detailed amendments to the Annex to the 1973 Directive; and the definition of the Directive on measuring systems for liquids other than water (Council Directive No. 77/313/EEC) is amended to incorporate a reference to Commission Directive No. 82/625/EEC which adds new provisions about measuring systems fitted to road tankers to the Annex to the 1977 Directive.

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