



**THE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES REGULATIONS 1926–1951,
AMENDMENT NO. 16**

DAVID BEATTIE, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 21st day of December 1981

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Weights and Measures Act 1925, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Weights and Measures Regulations 1926–51, Amendment No. 16, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Weights and Measures Regulations 1926–1951* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 1st day of February 1982.

2. Examination fees—Part II of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking regulation 4A (as substituted by regulation 2 of the Weights and Measures Regulations 1926–1951, Amendment No. 15), and substituting the following regulation:

“4A. (1) Subject to subclauses (2) and (3) of this regulation, the examination fee shall be the highest of the following fees:

“(a) In the case of a weight, measure of capacity, or measure of length, \$80:

**Gazette*, 1927, Vol. I, p. 25 (Reprinted with Amendments Nos. 1 to 8: S.R. 1967/34)

Amendment No. 9: S.R. 1971/215

Amendment No. 10: S.R. 1973/40

Amendment No. 11: S.R. 1975/298

Amendment No. 12: S.R. 1977/24

Amendment No. 13: S.R. 1978/271

Amendment No. 14: (Revoked by S.R. 1980/223)

Amendment No. 15: S.R. 1980/223

“(b) In the case of a weighing or measuring instrument (not being a digital weighing instrument fitted with a computer) which is presented for examination at the office of the Chief Inspector, \$390:

“(c) In the case of a weighing or measuring instrument (not being a digital weighing instrument fitted with a computer) which is not presented for examination at the office of the Chief Inspector, \$190:

“Plus, for each series of tests undertaken by or at the direction of the Chief Inspector as part of the examination, fees equivalent to the fees prescribed by Part IV of these regulations:

“(d) In the case of a digital weighing instrument fitted with a computer, \$515:

“(e) In the case of a farm milk tank or a bulk tank, \$120.

“(2) If a weighing or measuring instrument submitted for examination under regulation 4 of this Part of these regulations is also a device for ticket printing, multi recording, or blending or which can be operated by remote control or has any other special feature, the examination fee payable under that regulation shall be the appropriate fee prescribed by subclause (1) of this regulation plus an additional sum of \$120.

“(3) Where the submission involves only a variation of an approval of the Chief Inspector which is for the time being in force, the fee payable under this regulation (other than any fees payable pursuant to the proviso to paragraph (c) of subclause (1) of this regulation) shall be \$120.”

3. New scale of fees prescribed—The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking Part IV (as substituted by regulation 3 of the *Weights and Measures Regulations 1926-1951, Amendment No. 15*), and substituting the Part IV set out in the Schedule to these regulations.

4. Revocation—The *Weights and Measures Regulations 1926-1951, Amendment No. 15* are hereby consequentially revoked.



Reg. 3

SCHEDULE

NEW PART IV OF THE PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS

“PART IV

“There shall be paid to the Chief Inspector and to every Inspector for the various matters set out in the Schedule to this Part the fees provided for in that Schedule.

“SCHEDULE TO PART IV

Fees related to the Testing of Weights and Measures and of Weighing and Measuring Instruments

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Weights

1. Avoirdupois—

Each weight above 56 lb	A fee calculated in accordance with clause 43 of this Schedule
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Each weight of 50 lb or 56 lb	\$1.60
Each weight of 10 lb or of more than 10 lb but not more than 28 lb	70c
Each weight of less than 10 lb	50c
2. Metric (not being a weight to which clause 3 or clause 4 of this Schedule applies)—	
Each weight above 20 kg	A fee calculated in accordance with clause 43 of this Schedule
Each weight of 20 kg	\$1.60
Each weight of 5 kg or of more than 5 kg but not more than 10 kg	70c
Each weight of less than 5 kg	50c
3. Metric (not being a weight to which clause 4 of this Schedule applies)—	
Each weight of less than 100 g intended for pharmaceutical use	50c
4. Metric (calibrated in metric carats)—	
Each weight above 5000 carats	\$1.60
Each weight of 500 carats or of more than 500 carats but not more than 5000 carats	70c
Each weight of less than 500 carats	50c
5. Troy and Apothecary—	
Each weight of more than 50 oz	\$1.60
Each weight of 2 oz or of more than 2 oz but not more than 50 oz... ..	70c
Each weight of less than 2 oz	50c

Measures of Length

6. Each measure, a minimum fee of	\$1.60
Plus, for each Imperial measure that exceeds 1 yard and for each metric measure that exceeds 1 metre, a fee, for each complete yard or metre, after the first, of... ..	40c

Measures of Capacity

7. Metric measures of not more than 250 litres capacity and Imperial measures of not more than 50 gallons capacity—	
(a) Each metric measure with a capacity of more than 20 litres and each Imperial measure with a capacity of more than 5 gallons... ..	\$3.00
Plus, for each complete 5 litres in excess of 20 litres and for each complete gallon in excess of 5 gallons	55c

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ing) and Stamping

(b) Each metric measure with a capacity of 10 litres or of more than 10 litres but not more than 20 litres and each Imperial measure with a capacity of 2 gallons or of more than 2 gallons but not more than 5 gallons, for each complete 5 litres and for each complete gallon respectively \$1.60

(c) Each metric measure with a capacity of more than 2 litres but less than 10 litres and each Imperial measure with a capacity of more than 1 quart but less than 2 gallons 56c (except as provided in clause 8 of this Schedule)

(d) Each metric measure with a capacity of more than 500 millilitres but not more than 2 litres and each Imperial measure with a capacity of more than 1 pint but not more than 1 quart 40c (except as provided in clause 8 of this Schedule)

(e) Each metric measure with a capacity of not more than 500 millilitres and each Imperial measure with a capacity of not more than 1 pint 32c (except as provided in clause 8 of this Schedule)

(f) Each denominated subdivision of a subdivided measure 40c

8. Where measures of the same capacity (being a capacity of less than 10 litres) are submitted in quantities of 200 or more and the person submitting them provides special testing facilities and assistance in testing, the fees payable under paragraph (c), paragraph (d), or paragraph (e) of clause 7 of this Schedule shall be reduced by 50 per cent.

9. Farm milk and other measuring tanks with a capacity (where metric measurement is used) of more than 250 litres or (where Imperial measurement is used) of more than 50 gallons—

(a) When verified at maker's works where special bulk testing facilities and assistance in testing are provided—

(i) Each tank, if the tanks submitted for testing on the one visit have a total capacity of at least 13 500 litres or 3000 gallons, for every 50 litres or 10 gallons of capacity 40c

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(ii) Each tank in any other case, for every 50 litres or 10 gallons of capacity	50c
(b) When verified (in the case of a farm milk tank) at a place other than the maker's works	A fee calculated in accordance with clause 43 of this Schedule
(c) When verified in circumstances other than those set out in paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) of this clause, a minimum, for each tank, of	\$12.00
Plus an additional fee, for each complete 50 litres in excess of 250 litres or for each complete 10 gallons in excess of 50 gallons, of	\$1.20
(d) Where the Inspector sets out a graduated scale for engraving, a fee calculated in accordance with clause 43 of this Schedule:	
(e) Where the level of any tank (including a farm milk tank) is tested at the installation site, the fee for the test shall be \$6.00:	
(f) Where the level of any tank (including a farm milk tank) is adjusted at the installation site, the fee for carrying out that adjustment shall be \$15.50: Provided that if the person responsible for the installation of the tank, or a person acting on his behalf, provides competent assistance in the carrying out of the adjustment of the level of the tank, the fee shall be reduced to \$6.00:	
(g) Where the conversion of a tank (including a farm milk tank) from Imperial measurement to metric measurement is effected by the superimposing of a graduated scale, the fee for the verification of that conversion shall be—	
(i) If the verification takes place in conjunction with a test of level in respect of which a fee is payable under paragraph (e) of this clause	\$3.00
(ii) In any other case	\$6.00

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ing) and Stamping*Bottles Serving as Measures*

10. Bottles which when filled serve as measures of capacity—

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| (a) When submitted in lots of 500 or more of the same type and capacity, per each 500 | | \$1.50 |
| (b) For similar lots of less than 100 or part thereof | | 60c |

Adjusting Fees, Rejection Fees, and Minimum Charge

11. For adjusting or rejecting weights and common measures of capacity, fees equivalent to those prescribed for verifying and stamping will be charged.
12. The minimum charge to any one person for verifying and stamping weights or measures produced at one time, shall be—
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| (a) If the verification is undertaken at the office of an Inspector | | \$1.50 |
| (b) In any other case | | \$8.00 |

Weighing Instruments

13. Weighing instruments (not being automatic weighing instruments) with a capacity (where metric measurement is used) of more than 1 tonne or (where Imperial measurement is used) of more than 1 ton—

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| Each instrument | | \$39.00 |
| Plus— | | |
| (a) For each tonne of capacity (in excess of 1 tonne) in respect of which the instrument is tested | | \$1.50 |
| (b) For each ton of capacity (in excess of 1 ton) in respect of which the instrument is tested | | \$1.50 |
| (c) For the remainder of the capacity (where the capacity in respect of which the instrument is tested is not a whole number of tonnes or tons, as the case may require) | | \$1.50 |

14. Where additional features on any weighing instrument to which clause 13 of this Schedule applies are tested, there shall be payable, in addition to the fees prescribed by that clause—

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| (a) In respect of each such feature that consists of an associated printing device, a fee of \$8.00: | |
| (b) In respect of each such feature that consists of a display (additional to the first tested), a fee of \$8.00: | |

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Plus, where a second Inspector is required to be associated with the testing because of the remoteness of the additional display from the weighing instrument, a fee for the second Inspector's time, which fee shall be calculated in accordance with clause 43 of this Schedule.

- 15. Where a weighing instrument to which clause 13 of this Schedule applies is rejected as incorrect or otherwise unsuitable, a rejection fee shall be charged, which fee shall be the equivalent of the fee that would have been charged if the instrument had been verified for the actual weight in respect of which it was tested.
- 16. Weighing instruments (not being self-indicating scales or automatic weighers) with a capacity (where metric measurement is used) of not more than 1 tonne or (where Imperial measurement is used) of not more than 1 ton—
 - (a) Not exceeding 1 kg or 2 lb in capacity respectively, each \$4.80
 - (b) Exceeding 1 kg or 2 lb in capacity but not exceeding 15 kg or 30 lb in capacity respectively, each \$7.00
 - (c) Exceeding 15 kg or 30 lb in capacity respectively, a minimum, for each such instrument, of \$8.00

Plus, in the case of any such instrument with a capacity of more than 50 kg or 100 lb,—

 - (i) For each 50 kg (after the first 50 kg) of the capacity of the instrument \$1.60
 - (ii) For each 100 lb (after the first 100 lb) of the capacity of the instrument \$1.60
 - (iii) For the remainder of the capacity of the instrument (where that capacity is not divisible, without remainder, by 50 kg or 100 lb, as the case may require) \$1.60

Provided that where only one such weighing instrument is submitted by any one person at any one time, the minimum shall be \$8.00.

NOTE—The fees prescribed for instruments to which this clause applies include the stamping, in respect of each such instrument, of one set of proportional weights where such are used; duplex or dual sets of such

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weights for such instruments will be charged at one-half the rate prescribed for the instrument.

17. Where a weighing instrument to which clause 16 of this Schedule applies is rejected as incorrect or otherwise unsuitable, a rejection fee shall be charged, which fee—

(a) In the case of a weighing instrument to which clause 16 (a) or clause 16 (b) of this Schedule applies, shall be the equivalent of the verification fee:

(b) In the case of a weighing instrument to which clause 16 (c) of this Schedule applies, shall be the equivalent of the fee that would have been charged if the instrument had been verified for the actual weight in respect of which it was tested.

18. Self-indicating weighing instruments and spring balances with a capacity (where metric measurement is used) of not more than 1 tonne or (where Imperial measurement is used) of not more than 1 ton—

(a) Not exceeding 2 kg or 4 lb in capacity respectively, each \$5.50

(b) Exceeding 2 kg or 4 lb but not exceeding 15 kg or 30 lb in capacity respectively, each \$9.00

(c) Exceeding 15 kg or 30 lb in capacity respectively, a minimum, for each such instrument, of \$9.50

Plus, in the case of any such instrument with a capacity of more than 50 kg or 100 lb,—

(i) For each 50 kg (after the first 50 kg) of the capacity of the instrument \$1.60

(ii) For each 100 lb (after the first 100 lb) of the capacity of the instrument \$1.60

(iii) For the remainder of the capacity of the instrument (where that capacity is not divisible, without remainder, by 50 kg or 100 lb, as the case may require) \$1.60

Provided that where only one such weighing instrument or spring balance is submitted by any one person at any one time, the minimum shall be \$8.00.

19. Where additional features on any self-indicating weighing instrument to which clause 18 of this Schedule applies are tested, there shall be

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payable, in addition to the fees prescribed by that clause—

- (a) In respect of each such feature that consists of an associated printing device, a fee of \$3.10
- (b) In respect of each such feature that consists of a digital computer, a fee of \$4.00
- (c) In respect of each such feature that consists of a display (additional to the first tested), a fee of \$4.00

Provided that where the testing of any such printing device or display takes additional time because of the remoteness of the device or display from the instrument, the additional time shall be charged for at the rate prescribed by clause 43 of this Schedule.

20. Where a self-indicating weighing instrument to which clause 18 of this Schedule applies is rejected as incorrect or otherwise unsuitable, a rejection fee shall be charged, which fee—

- (a) In the case of an instrument to which clause 18 (a) or clause 18 (b) of this Schedule applies, shall be the equivalent of the verification fee:
- (b) In the case of an instrument to which clause 18 (c) of this Schedule applies, shall be the equivalent of the fee that would have been charged if the instrument had been verified for the actual weight in respect of which it was tested.

21. Personal weighing instruments for the use of which a charge is made, each \$12.00

22. Where a weighing instrument to which clause 16 or clause 18 or clause 21 of this Schedule applies is tested at the Inspector's office or at a weighing machine servicing establishment where assistance is provided to the Inspector, the fee payable (including any fee payable under clause 19 of this Schedule) shall be half the fee that would otherwise have been charged.

23. Where weighing instruments are graduated in centals read '100 lb' in place of '1 cwt' and '2000 lb' in place of '1 ton'.

24. In the case where a dual form of graduation has been approved, e.g., avoirdupois and metric, the fee for each instrument shall be the fee otherwise applicable plus 50 percent.

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25. Automatic weighing, semi-automatic weighing, and automatic weight totalising instruments—
- (a) Each complete weighing unit with a capacity (where metric measurement is used) of not more than 10 kg or (where Imperial measurement is used) of not more than 20 lb \$15.50
 - (b) Each complete weighing unit with a capacity (where metric measurement is used) of more than 10 kg or (where Imperial measurement is used) of more than 20 lb, a minimum, for each instrument, of \$23.50
 - Plus, in the case of any such unit with a capacity of more than 125 kg or 250 lb,—
 - (i) For each 125 kg (after the first 125 kg) of the capacity of the instrument \$3.00
 - (ii) For each 250 lb (after the first 250 lb) of the capacity of the instrument \$3.00
 - (iii) For the remainder of the capacity of the instrument (where that capacity is not divisible, without remainder, by 125 kg or 250 lb, as the case may require) \$3.00
 - (c) Notwithstanding anything in paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) of this clause, where a semi-automatic weighing instrument can be tested by the direct application of standard weights, there shall be payable, instead of the fees prescribed by either of those paragraphs Fees calculated in accordance with clause 18 of this Schedule
 - (d) The fee per hour for each Inspector engaged on testing any automatic weight totalising instrument of the belt weighing type shall be \$18.00.
26. Egg or poultry grading machines—
- With not more than 6 weighing stations, each machine \$15.50
 - With more than 6 but not more than 24 weighing stations, each machine \$39.00
 - With more than 24 weighing stations, each machine \$78.00
- Provided that if the services of a second Inspector are required in order to carry out the verification of any egg or poultry grading

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machine the time of the second Inspector shall be charged for at the rate prescribed by clause 43 of this Schedule.

27. Liquid fuel pumps (whether or not equipped with a price computer)—

(a) Without pre-set delivery, remote control, blending or additional indicating devices, for each meter \$8.00

(b) Where pre-set delivery, remote control, blending or additional indicating devices are provided, the fee shall be, for each meter in a pump \$8.00

Plus \$1.30 for each pre-set delivery, remote control, blending device, or additional indicating device.

(c) Coin-operated pumps, in addition to charges under paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) of this clause \$4.60

28. Where a liquid fuel pump to which clause 27 of this Schedule applies is rejected as incorrect or otherwise unsuitable, a rejection fee of \$8.00 shall be charged.

Flowmeters (other than those in Liquid Fuel Pumps) and Drum Filling Instruments

29. Drum filling measures or flowmeters used in static situations for drum filling, each \$15.50

30. Where a measure or flowmeter to which clause 29 of this Schedule applies is rejected as incorrect or otherwise unsuitable, a rejection fee of \$15.50 shall be charged.

31. Each static flowmeter used for purposes other than drum filling... .. A fee calculated in accordance with clause 43 of this Schedule

32. Each flowmeter fitted to a mobile tanker, being a flowmeter—

(a) That is shown by the test to measure not above 300 litres or 65 gallons per minute \$19.50

(b) That is shown by the test to measure above 300 litres or 65 gallons per minute \$31.00

Provided that where any flowmeter fitted to a mobile tanker has an additional hose, the fee applicable under paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) of this clause shall be increased by \$5.50.

33. Where a flowmeter fitted to a mobile tanker is rejected as incorrect or otherwise unsuitable, a

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rejection fee shall be charged, which fee shall be the equivalent of the fee that would have been charged if the flowmeter had been verified for the rate of flow in respect of which it was tested.

- 34. Oil and low flow domestic fuel oil meters, each ... \$8.00
 Provided that, where such a meter is tested on a special test rig, the fee shall be \$5.50.
- 35. Where a meter to which clause 34 of this Schedule applies is rejected as incorrect or otherwise unsuitable, a rejection fee of \$5.50 shall be charged.
- 36. Where a temperature compensating device is fitted to any flowmeter to which clause 29, clause 31, clause 32, or clause 34 of this Schedule applies, the fee payable under that clause shall be increased by 50 percent.
- 37. For each printing device fitted to any flowmeter to which clause 29, clause 31, clause 32, or clause 34 of this Schedule applies, a fee of \$4.00 shall be charged.
- 38. For each additional indicator fitted to any flowmeter to which clause 29, clause 31, clause 32, or clause 34 of this Schedule applies, a fee of \$1.30 shall be charged.

Area and Length Measuring Instruments

- 39. Area measuring instruments, for each instru-
 ment \$8.00
- 40. Length measuring instruments, for each instru-
 ment \$15.50
- 41. For each printing device fitted to any area or
 length measuring instrument, a fee of \$4.00
 shall be charged.

General Provisions

- 42. Where any weight, measure, or weighing or measuring instrument is rejected as incorrect or otherwise unsuitable, a rejection fee shall be charged which fee (if no other fee is specifically prescribed in this Schedule as the rejection fee applicable in respect of that weight, measure, or weighing or measuring instrument) shall be equivalent to the fee set out in this Schedule for verifying (or reverifying) and stamping that weight, measure, or weighing or measuring instrument.
- 43. A fee at the rate of \$18.00 per hour, for each Inspector involved, shall be charged:
 - (a) For testing or verification work in respect of which no other fee is specifically prescribed by this Schedule:
 - (b) For testing to closer tolerances than those specified in these regulations:

(c) For calibration work and special testing work, being, in both cases, work undertaken on request:

(d) For work to which the fee specified in this clause is specifically applied by some other provision of this Schedule:

Provided that where any provision of this Schedule specifically provides for a fee to be based on a fraction of the rate specified in this clause, that provision shall have effect according to its tenor.

44. For the testing of weights or measures, or weighing or measuring instruments at premises other than an Inspector's office, owners shall, when requested, provide cartage for the necessary weights or other heavy equipment involved, and make available such equipment as an Inspector may require to perform suitable tests and such labour as is required to handle the weights and equipment:

Provided that, in the case of the testing of a weighbridge, the Inspector may arrange for the transportation of the test weights if the owner undertakes to pay the charges for their transportation.

45. For the testing of weighing and measuring instruments (other than on routine inspection) owners shall pay the travelling expenses of the Inspector, at a rate of 28 cents per kilometre, in addition to the other fees applicable under this Schedule.

46. When, in the carrying out of any inspection, any delays arise in matters associated therewith, being delays beyond the control of the Inspector, the waiting time associated with such delays may be charged at the rate of \$18.00 per hour per Inspector involved.

47. In any case where the Inspector at the request of or by agreement with the owner, makes an adjustment to any weighing machine or measuring instrument, a fee for this service shall be payable at the rate of \$18.00 per hour for the time determined by the Inspector as occupied in making and checking the effect of the adjustment."

P. G. MILLEN,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations, which come into force on 1 February 1982, amend the *Weights and Measures Regulations 1926-1951*.

Regulation 2 amends Part II of the principal regulations by substituting a new regulation 4A relating to novel appliances. The new regulation 4A prescribes an increased scale of examination fees for such appliances.

Regulation 3 prescribes an increased scale of fees in relation to the testing of weights and measures and of weighing and measuring instruments.

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