



**THE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES REGULATIONS 1987,
AMENDMENT NO. 2**

PAUL REEVES, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 29th day of January 1990

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Weights and Measures Act 1987, 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 1987, Amendment No. 2, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Weights and Measures Regulations 1987* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 1st day of March 1990.

2. Verification scale interval—Regulation 46 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by adding the following subclause:

“(4) Notwithstanding anything in subclause (3) of this regulation, for the purposes of the verification and inspection, in accordance with that subclause, of weighing instruments with auxiliary indicating devices and which are classified as Class I or Class II weighing instruments, the reference in the Fifth Schedule to these regulations to minimum capacity

in verification scale intervals shall be deemed to be a reference to minimum capacity in actual scale intervals.”

MARIE SHROFF,
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 March 1990, amend the Weights and Measures Regulations 1987.

The effect of the amendment is to alter the definition of minimum capacity for the purposes of the verification and inspection of weighing instruments with auxiliary indicating devices and which are classified as Class I or Class II weighing instruments.

At present, minimum capacity is defined in terms of verification scale intervals. However, some more technologically advanced weighing instruments are capable of weighing masses below the limit which that definition imposes. This has been recognised by the International Organisation of Legal Metrology (OIML).

The amendment alters regulation 46 of the principal regulations so that the actual scale interval will be used for the purposes of verifying and inspecting such weighing instruments. This will bring New Zealand into line with the relevant OIML recommendation.

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These regulations are administered in the Ministry of Consumer Affairs.