

- (vi.) Is of rough, crude, or unworkmanlike construction, or is made of inferior material;
- (vii.) Is not clean, or the painted parts of which are not dry;
- (viii.) Does not in every respect comply with the requirements of these regulations:

Provided that when a weight, measure, machine, or instrument which has been in use for trade prior to six months after the commencement of these regulations does not comply therewith in some minor respect only, and no period of allowance is otherwise provided, an Inspector may, at his discretion, stamp such weight, measure, machine, or instrument; but no such weight, measure, machine, or instrument shall be used for more than five years after the commencement of these regulations:

- (c.) Stamp any weight, measure, weighing-machine, or measuring-instrument presenting novel features, unless a weight, measure, machine, or instrument of similar type, material, and design has been approved by the Minister; and the Inspector may withhold the verification stamp until he has had reasonable time to verify such approval.

APPROVAL BY MINISTER OF WEIGHTS, MEASURES, ETC.

5. Any person desiring approval by the Minister of any weight, measure, machine, or instrument presenting novel features shall—

- (a.) Submit a sample weight, measure, machine, or instrument for examination, and such specifications and drawings as the Minister may require;
- (b.) If it is represented that a weight, measure, machine, or instrument identical in type, material, and design has been approved by the London Board of Trade for use for trade in England, produce proof to that effect;
- (c.) Pay an examination fee of £1.

6. The Minister may approve and issue a certificate that any weight, measure, machine, or instrument the type, material, and design of which in his opinion comply with the requirements of the regulations is suitable for use for trade and would not facilitate fraud.

7. Such certificate may be general, or may limit the trade or purpose for which a weight, measure, machine, or instrument of such type, material, and design may be used, and may prescribe such conditions as the Minister thinks fit.

8. When such a certificate has been issued, an Inspector shall not refuse to stamp a weight, measure, machine, or instrument identical in type, material, and design with that so approved, if the requirements of these regulations are otherwise complied with.

CONDITIONS GOVERNING THE USE OF WEIGHING-MACHINES.

9. A weighing-machine shall not be verified unless it shall—

- (a.) Have its capacity legibly and indelibly cast, stamped, or engraved on some prominent and essential part in the following manner, for example: "To weigh lb.," or "Capacity cwt.":

Provided that this shall not apply to a machine which indicates wholly on a steelyard, or on a dial, quadrant, or other self-indicating device which clearly shows the full capacity, or to a machine in use prior to the commencement of these regulations if its capacity is marked in other manner approved by an Inspector:

- (b.) Have a stamping plug of soft lead which shall—
 - (i.) Be not less than $\frac{1}{4}$ in. in diameter, unless precluded by the small size of the instrument;
 - (ii.) Be securely and firmly set down in an undercut hole below the surface of such hole; provided that if, owing to the construction of the machine, this is impracticable, the plug shall be made irremovable in some other manner approved by an Inspector;
 - (iii.) Have a clean and even surface:

Provided that small diamond, chemical, or assay balances in which the provision of the plug is impracticable may be verified if so constructed that the stamp may be impressed on the pans or other suitable part: