STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1981 No. 279

FEES AND CHARGES

The Measuring Instruments (EEC Pattern Approval Requirements) (Fees) Regulations 1981

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Coming into Operation	1*st April* 1981

The Secretary of State for Trade, with the consent of the Treasury, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 56(1) and (2) of the Finance Act 1973 (**a**) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Measuring Instruments (EEC Pattern Approval Requirements) (Fees) Regulations 1981 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1981.

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

"the principal Regulations" means the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) Regulations 1980(**b**);

"the relevant Community obligations" means the Community obligations of the United Kingdom under Council Directive No.73/316/EEC(**c**) (which relates to measuring instruments in general) and the following Council Directives:—

(**a**) 1973 c.51.
(**b**) S.I. 1980/1058.
(**c**) O.J.No.L202 6.9.1971 p.1 (O.J./SE. 1971 (II), p.707), as amended by Council Directive No.72/427/EEC (O.J.No. L291, 28.12.1972, p.156, OJ/SE 1972, 28-30 Dec, p.71) and Cmnd. 7463, p.174.

(*Council Directive No.*)		(*Subject Matter*)
71/319/EEC	**(a)**	meters for liquids other than water
71/348/EEC as amended	**(b)** **(c)**	ancillary equipment for meters for liquids other than water
73/360/EEC as amended	**(d)** **(e)**	non-automatic weighing machines
73/362/EEC as amended	**(f)** **(g)**	material measures of length
75/33/EEC	**(h)**	cold-water meters
75/410/EEC	**(i)**	continuous totalising weighing machines
76/765/EEC	**(j)**	alcoholometers and alcohol hydrometers
77/95/EEC	**(k)**	taximeters
77/313/EEC	**(l)**	measuring systems for liquids other than water
78/1031/EEC	**(m)**	automatic checkweighing and weight grading machines

(2) The Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Fees) Regulations 1979**(n)** and the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1980 **(o)** are hereby revoked.

3. The fee payable in connection with the services provided by the Department of Trade in pursuance of the relevant Community obligations relating to EEC pattern approval, implemented by Regulation 7 of, and Schedule 2 to, the principal Regulations, or, in the case of alcoholometers and alcohol hydrometers, by the application of that Regulation and Schedule by Regulation 5 of the Alcoholometers and Alcohol Hydrometers (EEC Requirements) Regulations 1977 **(p)**, or, in the case of taximeters, by the application of the said Regulation 7 and Schedule 2 by Regulation 6 of the Taximeters (EEC Requirements) Regulations 1979 **(q)**, shall be determined and payable in accordance with the Schedule hereto.

(a) O.J. No. L202, 6.9, 1971, p.32 (O.J./S.E. 1971(III), p.740).
(b) O.J. No. L239, 25.10.1971, p.9 (O.J./S.E. 1971 (III), p.860).
(c) Cmnd. 7463, p.175.
(d) O.J.No. L335, 5.12.1973, p.l.
(e) O.J. No. L236, 27.8.1976, p.26.
(f) O.J. No. L335, 5.12.1973, p.56.
(g) O.J. No. L206, 29.7.1978, p.8.
(h) O.J. No. L14, 20.1.1975, p.l.
(i) O.J. No. L183, 14.7.1975, p.25.
(j) O.J. No. L262, 27.9.1976, p.143.
(k) O.J. No. L26, 31.1.1977, p.59.
(l) O.J. No. L105, 28.4.1977, p.18.
(m) O.J. No. L364, 27.12.1978, p.1.
(n) S.I. 1979/1342.
(o) S.I. 1980/168.
(p) S.I. 1977/1753.
(q) S.I. 1979/1379.

4. All fees received under these Regulations shall be paid into the Consolidated Fund.

Sally Oppenheim,
Minister of State,
Department of Trade.

19th February 1981.
We consent.

John Wakeham,
J.A. Douglas-Hamilton,
Two of the Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

26th February 1981

SCHEDULE

FEES FOR EEC PATTERN APPROVAL

1. Where Regulation 7(1) of the principal Regulations applies (application for EEC pattern approval) the fee shall be—

(*a*) the amount of £25 payable on the submission of the application to the Secretary of State; and

(*b*) an amount calculated at the rate of £16 per hour to the nearest hour in respect of the time taken to conduct the examination, payable on notification by the Secretary of State of the completion of the examination and of the amount of the fee and before notification of the result; and

(*c*) the amount of additional expenses, if any, incurred by or occasioned to the Department of Trade, when a pattern is examined elsewhere than at the Department of Trade's laboratory at Chapter Street House, 26 Chapter Street, London SW1P 4NS, payable on notification by the Secretary of State of the completion of the examination and of the amount of the fee and before notification of the result.

2. Where Regulation 7(2) of the principal Regulations applies (application for approval of modifications or additions to EEC approved pattern) the fee shall be an amount calculated and payable as indicated in paragraph 1(*b*) and (*c*) above.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations replace the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Fees) Regulations 1979, as amended, in so far as they relate to EEC pattern approval. The latter Regulations were replaced by the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Fees) Regulations 1981 (S.I. 1981/176) in so far as they relate to EEC initial verification of alcoholometers and alcohol hydrometers, and they are now revoked.

The Regulations increase certain of the fees payable in connection with services provided by the Department of Trade in respect of EEC pattern approval of the following measuring instruments—

(*a*) meters for liquids other than water;
(*b*) ancillary equipment for such meters;
(*c*) non-automatic weighing machines;
(*d*) material measures of length;
(*e*) cold-water meters;
(*f*) continuous totalising weighing machines;
(*g*) alcoholometers and alcohol hydrometers;
(*h*) taximeters;
(*i*) measuring systems for liquids other than water.

The fees were formerly calculated at a rate of £11.10 per hour in respect of the time taken to conduct the examination of the equipment; the new rate is £16 per hour.

The Regulations also specify automatic checkweighing and weight grading machines as instruments in respect of which such fees are payable, consequent on the implementation by the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) Regulations 1980 of the United Kingdom's obligations under Council Directive No.78/1031/EEC in respect of such instruments.

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