STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1968 No. 267

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

ADMINISTRATION

The Measuring Instruments (Liquid Fuel and Lubricants) (Amendment) Regulations 1968

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The Board of Trade in pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by sections 14(1) and 58 of the Weights and Measures Act 1963(a) and all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Regulations:—

1. The Measuring Instruments (Liquid Fuel and Lubricants) Regulations 1963(b) shall have effect as if—

(*a*) for the proviso to Regulation 27 there were substituted the following:—

"Provided that—

(i) in relation to the retesting of any instrument which—

(*a*) is fitted with a price computing mechanism;

(*b*) is, in the opinion of an inspector, only required to be retested as a result of an alteration or adjustment of that mechanism occasioned by a change in price;

(*c*) has previously been tested and passed as fit for use for trade; and

(*d*) has not been so tested and passed since the said alteration or adjustment was made,

the prescribed limits of error shall be as follows:—

Quantity delivered	*Error in excess*	*Error in deficiency*
½ pint	¾ fluid ounce	3/16 fluid ounce
Pint	1 fluid ounce	¼ fluid ounce
Quart, ½ gallon or gallon	2 fluid ounces ...	½ fluid ounce
Exceeding 1 gallon ...	at the rate of 2 fluid ounces per gallon ...	at the rate of ½ fluid ounce per gallon;

(ii) in the case of instruments fitted to tank wagons for use in the measurement of lubricants, the prescribed limit of error in relation to quantities not exceeding 5 gallons shall be 5 fluid ounces in excess." and

(*b*) there were added as paragraph (3) of Regulation 31 the following:—

"(3) In this Regulation, references to the prescribed limits of error are references to the limits of error applicable in relation to the initial testing of any instrument."

(a) 1963 c. 31. (b) S.I. 1963/1709 (1963 III, p. 3278).

2. These Regulations may be cited as the Measuring Instruments (Liquid Fuel and Lubricants) (Amendment) Regulations 1968 and shall come into operation on 5th March 1968.

27th February 1968.

Gwyneth Dunwoody,
Parliamentary Secretary to the
Board of Trade.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend the Measuring Instruments (Liquid Fuel and Lubricants) Regulations 1963.

The 1963 Regulations prescribe, inter alia, two limits of error. The first are applicable on the testing of an instrument for measuring liquid fuel or lubricants which does not bear a prescribed stamp or on which the prescribed stamp has been obliterated. The second are wider and are applicable on the inspection of an instrument which bears a stamp which has not been obliterated.

These Regulations provide that where the stamp on an instrument has been obliterated only as a result of an alteration or adjustment of its price computing mechanism occasioned by a price change, then the prescribed limits of error shall be the same as those applicable on the inspection of an instrument on which the stamp has not been obliterated.