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WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Weighing Equipment for Use by Customers

REGULATIONS, DATED 16TH AUGUST 1967, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE UNDER SECTION 26 OF THE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1967.

The Ministry of Commerce, in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by section 26(3) of the Weights and Measures Act (Northern Ireland) 1967(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Weights and Measures (Weighing Equipment for Use by Customers) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1967 and shall come into operation on 25th April 1969.

2. All weighing equipment kept available under section 26(3) of the Weights and Measures Act (Northern Ireland) 1967 for use by any prospective buyer for the purpose of making known to him the weight of any goods shall be of the description prescribed in Regulation 3.

3.—(1) The weighing equipment shall consist of either a self-indicating counter machine or a spring balance, that is to say, a counter machine or a spring balance fitted with a dial marked with graduations which indicate a series of weights.

(2) The difference between the weights indicated by consecutive graduations shall not exceed $\frac{1}{4}$ ounce.

(3) Any goods plate, pan or scoop forming part of the equipment shall be so fitted that it cannot readily be removed.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland this 16th day of August 1967.

(L.S.) *W. L. Robinson,*
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations prescribe the kind of weighing equipment which may be provided under the Weights and Measures Act (Northern Ireland) 1967 for use by customers.

A retailer who sells pre-packed fresh fruit or vegetables in circumstances in which the Act requires him to make known their gross weight to the buyer (see Schedule 2, Part VII, paragraphs 3, 4 and 5) may comply with that requirement by providing equipment of the kind prescribed by these Regulations and otherwise complying with the provisions of section 26.

(a) 1967. c. 6 (N.I.).