

NOTIFICATION OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE

RE: PRESCRIPTION OF TYPE OF PACKAGED GOODS, CRITERIA AND MEANS FOR INDICATING
THE AMOUNT OF GOODS AND MAXIMUM PERMISSIBLE ERROR

B.E. 2550

By virtue of section 5, section 62 (1) and (2) and section 63 of the Weights and Measures Act B.E. 2542, the Minister of Commerce hereby issues the Notification as follows:

Clause 1. This Notification is called the “Notification of the Ministry of Commerce re: prescription of type of packaged goods, criteria and means for indicating the amount of goods and maximum permissible error B.E. 2550”.

Clause 2. This Notification shall come into force upon the expiration of one hundred and eighty days from the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

Clause 3. The Notification of the Ministry of Commerce Re: prescription of type of packaged goods, criteria and means for indicating the amount of goods and maximum permissible error B.E. 2543 dated the 16th of August B.E. 2543 shall be repealed.

Clause 4. In this Notification:

“net amount” means the amount of goods which does not include its container or packaged or attached object;

“content amount” means the amount of content which does not include its container and liquid component;

“total package” means a package which contain goods in the same type and the same amount for 2 packages and above;

“maximum permissible error” means deviation of the amount of goods in the package permitted;

“negative maximum permissible error” means deviation of the amount of goods in a package permitted to be less than the indicated net amount;

Clause 5. The type of packaged goods for sale or distribution within the Kingdom which a packager shall indicate the amount of the goods packaged shall be in accordance with annex 1 as prescribed under this Notification.

The provisions of paragraph one shall not apply to the packaged goods with the net content of less than 5 grams or less than 5 milliliters and with the net content of over 50 kilograms or over 50 milliliters except for the goods having the net content of less than 5 grams or less than 5 milliliters and is the same type of goods and having the same net content for more than 2 packages containing in a large package shall be deemed a large package which shall indicate the amount of goods.

Clause 6. A packager under clause 5 shall indicate the amount of goods packaged under the criteria and procedures as follows:

(1) to indicate the net content of the goods in weight unit, volume unit or container unit or length unit in metric or indicate in a counting number by using a Thai letter and Thai number or Arabic number;

(2) indication of the net content of a goods shall consist of the following statements: “net content, indicating number, amount of goods, unit which is in accordance with the amount”. The word “net content” may be replaced by other statements which have the same meaning but abbreviation shall not be used;

(3) in the case where a packaged goods consist of the content of the goods and component which is liquid by which the liquid is not for consumption, the net content and content of the goods shall be indicated.

Indication of the content of goods shall consist of the following statements: “amount of content, indicating number, amount of content of goods, weight unit” by which the word “amount of content” may be replaced by other statements which have the same meaning but abbreviation shall not be used;

(4) indication of total packaged goods shall indicate the followings:

(4.1) the amount of packaged goods in each package;

(4.2) the amount of package with the classifier;

(5) indication of amount of goods under clause 5 paragraph two which is a large package shall indicate the following:

(5.1) the amount of total goods in a large package or the amount of goods in each small package;

(5.2) amount of small packages;

(6) indication of the amount of goods shall be in the manner of being easily seen and can be clearly read;

(7) indication of the amount of goods in unit of weight and volume shall have the side of the letter and number as follows:

(7.1) indication of the amount of each package shall be in accordance with the following table:

Indicating amount (grams or milliliters)	Height of the letter and number shall not be less than (milliliters)
Not exceeding 50	2

Over 50 but not exceeding 200	3
Over 200 but not exceeding 1,000	4
Over 1,000	6

(7.2) Indication of amount of packages shall be in accordance with the following table:

Indicating amount (grams or milliliters)	Height of the letter and number shall not be less than (milliliters)
Not exceeding 50	3
Over 50	6

(8) the letter and number for indication of the amount of goods in a unit of length and counting number shall have the height as follows:

(8.1) indication of the amount of each package shall have the height of the letter and number of no less than 2 millimeters;

(8.2) indication of the amount of the total package shall have the height of the letter and number of no less than 3 millimeters;

(9) in the case where the amount is indicated in several places, all the indication of the amount of goods shall be the same;

(10) indication of the amount of goods in counting numbers if it is in a transparent package and the amount can be counted easily.

In the case of total packages which are transparent and can be counted easily, the amount of packages may not be indicated.

Clause 7. A packager shall indicate the amount of goods in the package in accordance with the amount of goods in the package.

In the case where the amount of goods in the package is not in accordance with the amount of goods indicated, it shall not exceed the maximum permissible error.

The criteria and procedure to examine the indication of the amount of goods and maximum permissible error shall be in accordance with the annex 2 as prescribed in this Notification.

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