Notification of the Ministry of Commerce

Regarding Prescription of Type and Characteristic of Weighing Instrument, Details of the Material Used for Producing Weighing Instrument, Maximum Permissible Error, Prohibition of Subsequent Verification and Validity of Verification (No. 2)

Whereas the Minister of Commerce, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Weights and Measures already issued the Notification of the Ministry of Commerce Regarding Prescription of Type of Weighing Instrument, Details of the Material Used for Producing Weighing Instrument, Maximum Permissible Error, Prohibition of Verification and Validity of Verification dated 19th June B.E. 2560 (2017), prescribing the type, the characteristic, the details of the material used for producing, the maximum permissible error, the prohibition of subsequent verification and the validity of verification of a weighing instrument.

In order that the supervision of the weighing instrument shall be more efficient and in line with the type, the characteristic, the details of the material used for producing, the maximum permissible error of the weighing instrument including the use of the weighing instrument in trading or selling goods at present, resulting in fairness to all relevant parties, the Committee on Weights and Measures passed a resolution at the meeting No. 1/2566 on 8th March B.E. 2566 (2023) to approve the extension of the inspection for providing verification and the validity of verification of a spring weighing instrument and a pendulum and the amendment of the validity of verification of a non-automatic weighing instrument for which the load receptor is fixed and has the capacity range of 10 metric ton and above; by virtue of Section 5, Section 16, Section 26 and Section 33 of the Measurement Act, B.E. 2542 (1999) as amended by the Measurement Act (No. 3), B.E. 2557 (2014), the Minister of Commerce, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Weights and Measures, therefore issues this Notification, as follows.

Article 1. This Notification shall come into force upon the expiration of sixty days as from the date of its publication in the Government Gazette onwards.¹

¹ Published in the Government Gazette, Volume 140, Special Part 150 d, Page 19, dated 26th June B.E. 2566 (2023).

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Article 2. The provision in (4) of Article 32 of the Notification of the Ministry of Commerce Regarding Prescription of Type and Characteristic of Weighing Instrument, Details of the Material Used for Producing Weighing Instrument, Maximum Permissible Error, Prohibition of Subsequent Verification and Validity of Verification dated 19th June B.E. 2560 (2017) shall be repealed, and the following provision shall be replaced:

"(4) the dial of the scale mark shall have two dials attaching to the instrument and both dials shall be in the opposite side except in the case where the spring instrument has a capacity range of no more than 1 kilogram and the spring weighing instrument has a capacity range exceeding 60 kilograms upwards, it may have one dial attaching to the instrument"

Article 3. The provision in (14) of Article 32 of the Notification of the Ministry of Commerce Regarding Prescription of Type and Characteristic of Weighing Instrument, Details of the Material Used for Producing Weighing Instrument, Maximum Permissible Error, Prohibition of Subsequent Verification and Validity of Verification dated 19th June B.E. 2560 (2017) shall be repealed.

Article 4. The provision in (15) of Article 32 of the Notification of the Ministry of Commerce Regarding Prescription of Type and Characteristic of Weighing Instrument, Details of the Material Used for Producing Weighing Instrument, Maximum Permissible Error, Prohibition of Subsequent Verification and Validity of Verification dated 19th June B.E. 2560 (2017) shall be repealed, and the following provision shall be replaced:

"(15) a spring weighing instrument shall be a weighing instrument which has an accuracy class, class four, and a verified scale mark (e) is equal to a scale mark of an instrument (d)".

Article 5. The provision in paragraph two of Article 32 of the Notification of the Ministry of Commerce Regarding Prescription of Type and Characteristic of Weighing Instrument, Details of the Material Used for Producing Weighing Instrument, Maximum Permissible Error, Prohibition of Subsequent Verification and Validity of Verification dated 19th June B.E. 2560 (2017) shall be repealed.

Article 6. The provision in Article 38 of the Notification of the Ministry of Commerce Regarding Prescription of Type and Characteristic of Weighing Instrument, Details of the Material Used for Producing Weighing Instrument, Maximum Permissible Error, Prohibition of Subsequent Verification and Validity of Verification dated 19th June B.E. 2560 (2017) shall be repealed, and the following provision shall be replaced:

"Article 38. A pendulum shall have neat surface and be moulded concomitantly and not hollow, whereby there is a hole for placing an object to adjust the weight only.

The pendulum which has the weight of less than 1 gram may be made in sheet or wire.

The pendulum which has the weight starting at 1 gram upwards may be made in cylinder or square or any other similar shapes and no sharp corner".

Article 7. The following provision shall be added as paragraph three of Article 40 of the Notification of the Ministry of Commerce Regarding Prescription of Type and Characteristic of Weighing Instrument, Details of the Material Used for Producing Weighing Instrument, Maximum Permissible Error, Prohibition of Subsequent Verification and Validity of Verification dated 19th June B.E. 2560 (2017):

"In the case where a pendulum has a hole for placing an object to adjust the weight under paragraph one and there is a hole cover, the aforesaid hole cover shall be snug and not be over the equilibrium of the pendulum, and there shall be a space for sealing for affixing a verification mark".

Article 8. The provision in Article 43 of the Notification of the Ministry of Commerce Regarding Prescription of Type and Characteristic of Weighing Instrument, Details of the Material Used for Producing Weighing Instrument, Maximum Permissible Error, Prohibition of Subsequent Verification and Validity of Verification dated 19th June B.E. 2560 (2017) shall be repealed, and the following provision shall be replaced:

"Article 43. The maximum permissible error for the initial verification and the subsequent verification of a pendulum which is not weighing the jewel shall have the positive according to the following table :

| Weight Rate | Maximum Permissible Error |
|-----------------|---------------------------|
| 5,000 kilograms | 2.5 kilograms |
| 2,000 kilograms | 1.0 kilograms |
| 1,000 kilograms | 500 grams |
| 500 kilograms | 250 grams |
| 200 kilograms | 100 grams |
| 100 kilograms | 250 grams |
| 5,000 kilograms | 50 grams |
| 50 kilograms | 25 grams |
| 20 kilograms | 10 grams |

| Weight Rate | Maximum Permissible Error |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| 10 kilograms | 5 grams |
| 5 kilograms | 2.5 grams |
| 2 kilograms | 1 grams |
| 1 kilograms | 500 milligrams |
| 500 grams | 250 milligrams |
| 200 grams | 100 milligrams |
| 100 grams | 50 milligrams |
| 50 grams | 30 milligrams |
| 20 grams | 25 milligrams |
| 10 grams | 20 milligrams |
| 5 grams | 15 milligrams |
| 2 grams | 12 milligrams |
| 1 grams | 10 milligrams" |

Article 9. The provision in 1 of the table of the validity of verification of a weighing instrument in Article 47 of the Notification of the Ministry of Commerce Regarding Prescription of Type and Characteristic of Weighing Instrument, Details of the Material Used for Producing Weighing Instrument, Maximum Permissible Error, Prohibition of Subsequent Verification and Validity of Verification dated 19th June B.E. 2560 (2017) shall be repealed, and the following provision shall be replaced:

| Instrument | Validity of Verification (as from the date of verification) |
|---|---|
| "1. a non-automatic weighing instrument for | 2 years" |
| which the load receptor is fixed and has | |
| the capacity range of 10 metric tons and | |
| above | |

Article 10. The provision in 3 of the table of the validity of verification of a weighing instrument in Article 47 of the Notification of the Ministry of Commerce Regarding Prescription of Type and Characteristic of Weighing Instrument, Details of the Material Used for Producing Weighing Instrument, Maximum Permissible Error, Prohibition of Subsequent Verification and Validity of Verification dated 19th June B.E. 2560 (2017) shall be repealed.

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Article 11. As for all spring weighing instruments which have the capacity range exceeding 60 kilograms upwards and are possessed by a manufacturer, an importer, a seller, a repairer or a possessor on the date prior to the date when this Notification comes into force, the manufacturer, the importer, the seller, the repairer or the possessor brings the aforesaid instruments to a competent official to inspect for providing the verification under this Notification within thirty days as from the date when this Notification comes into force.

As for a non-automatic weighing instrument for which the load receptor is fixed and has the capacity range of 10 metric tons upwards but less than 20 metric tons and has already verified on the date prior to the date when this Notification comes into force, the verification shall continue to be valid until the new verification is provided; therefore, there shall be the validity of verification according to this Notification.

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