

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>NETHERLANDS</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Economic Affairs Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification can be indicated if different from above: National enquiry point
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Fluid meters
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Weights and Measures Regulation on Fluid Meters
6.	<p>Description of content: Chapter 1 gives the definitions relevant to this Regulation and stipulates that the provisions must be taken into account in type approval testing, inspection, reinspection, testing as specified in Article 16.1 of the Weights and Measures Act, and monitoring.</p> <p>Chapter 2 contains technical regulations. Heading 1 declares Annexes II and III of the EEC Weights and Measures Regulation on Fluid Measuring Installations to be applicable, whereby a number of points deviate from these Annexes, including with regard to the maximum permissible errors. Heading 2 contains provisions relating to auxiliary devices, in particular devices for conversion in accordance with the reference temperature. Heading 3 gives definitions and general provisions for fluid meters with electronic devices, supplemented by particular provisions for volume indicators, indicator resetting devices and indicators with multiple displays as well as for ancillary indicators, price indicators, presetting devices and conversion devices. Heading 4 lists provisions relating to stamps of approval. Heading 5 lists provisions relating to the testing method.</p> <p>Chapter 3 contains transitional and final provisions.</p>
7.	Objective and rationale: Insofar as the draft Regulation contains quantitative import restrictions or measures of equivalent effect, these measures are justified in the interests of fair trade and consumer protection. A clause of mutual recognition (Article 2a) has been included for the benefit of products from other States of the European Economic Area, which fulfil the requirements set in the country of origin.

8.	Relevant documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- (Original) Weights and Measures Regulation on Fluid Meters (Government Gazette 1989, 83);</li><li>- EEC Weights and Measures Decision on Fluid Measuring Installation, Annex II and III (Government Gazette 1978, 117);</li><li>- Regulation amending the Weights and Measures Regulation on Petrol Pumps, the Weights and Measures Regulation on LPG Measuring Installations and the Weights and Measures Regulation on Fluid Meters (Government Gazette 1989, 252).</li></ul>
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 27 October 1997 Proposed date of entry into force: 28 October 1997
10.	Final date for comments: 26 October 1997  The Netherlands will proceed to implement the proposed measure after 45 days if no comments or requests for extension of the time-limit have been received from other Members within that time.
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: