STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2012 No. 751

FEES AND CHARGES

The Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2012

Made - - - - 7th March 2012

Laid before Parliament 9th March 2012

Coming into force - - 6th April 2012

The Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills, with the consent of the Treasury, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 56(1) and (2) of the Finance Act 1973(a), makes the following Regulations.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2012 and come into force on 6th April 2012.

Amendments to the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Fees) Regulations 2004

- **2.** The Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Fees) Regulations 2004(**b**) are amended as follows.
 - 3. In Schedule 1 (calculation of variable fee)—
 - (a) for paragraph (aa) substitute—
 - "(aa) an amount for the time spent in providing the service on work of a specified type, calculated in accordance with the following table—

Table 1

Regulations relating to the relevant service	Specified type of work	Amount per hour
Regulations 4, 5, 7, 8 and 8B(1)(a) and (b)	Equipment testing	£85
	Type examination	£105
	Administration	£55
	Certification decision	£130"

; and

(b) in paragraph (b) omit "with the exception of any service taking place within Great Britain to which regulation 8A or 8B(1)(c) relates,".

⁽a) 1973 c.51.

⁽b) S.I. 2004/1300, amended by S.I. 2006/604, S.I. 2006/2679, S.I. 2008/732 and S.I. 2010/728.

Consequential revocations

- **4.** The following regulations are revoked—
 - (a) regulation 2 of the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2008(a); and
 - (b) regulation 2(6)(b)(i) of the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2010(b).

David Willetts Minister of State for Science and Innovation Department for Business, Innovation and Skills

6th March 2012

We consent

Michael Fabricant Jeremy Wright Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury

7th March 2012

⁽a) S.I. 2008/732. (b) S.I. 2010/728.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Fees) Regulations 2004 ("the 2004 Regulations"), which prescribe the fees to be charged in relation to certain services provided by the Secretary of State with regards to measuring instruments.

The 2004 Regulations provide for the fees payable to the Secretary of State to be made up of a number of components, one of which is a "variable fee" calculated in accordance with Schedule 1 to those Regulations. One of the components of the variable fee is an hourly rate. Different hourly rates are prescribed depending on the work done and the seniority of the staff involved. These Regulations increase the hourly rates for specified types of work by £5.

The 2004 Regulations were amended by the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2010 (S.I. 2010/728) which resulted in the removal of the permission to charge customers for travel costs in Great Britain relating to the approval of a manufacturer's quality system and the carrying out of EC surveillance. These Regulations reverse the effect of the 2010 Regulations.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has a negligible effect on business.

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