About Us

Mandate

Weights and measures unit mandate is to enforce Weights and Measures Act Cap 513 Laws of Kenya and Trade description Act Cap 505 Laws of Kenya.

Mission To ensure uniform and accurate legal metrology systems, fair

trade practices and consumer

protection.

More Information :



Objective To promote Fair Trade practices and Consumer protection



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Makueni County Weights & Measures Unit

Functions

- Verification of weighing and measuring equipment in use for trade
- Inspection of weighing and measuring instruments and prepacked goods to ensure compliance with Weights and Measures Act Cap 513 and Trade Descriptions Act Cap 505
- Receiving and acting on complaints arising from trade malpractices
- Investigations of complaints arising from Weights and Measures Act Cap 513 and Trade Descriptions Act Cap 505
- Prosecution of offences arising from non-compliance to the Weights and Measures Act Cap 513 and Trade Descriptions Act Cap 505



Our Services

Verification of weighing and measuring equipment

Procedure:

- 1. Development of verification programme and advertisement notices
- 2. Advertisement of the proposed verification stamping stations
- 3. Actual verification of weighing equipment submitted to the Inspector by traders.
- 4. If the equipment tested is found accurate and compliant to the weights and measures Act requirements, the inspector puts the stamp of verification on the equipment.
- 5. The trader pays the stamping fee required and is issued with a receipt and a certificate of verification.
- 6. If the equipment tested is found inaccurate and non-compliant, then the trader is advised to seek assistance from a licensed technician for service and repair of the equipment.
- 7. The equipment is resubmitted to the inspector for re-verification to confirm compliance.
- 8. If confirmed compliant, procedure 3 and 4 above proceeds.

Our Services

Inspection of business premises

Procedure:

- 1. At least 2 weights and measures officers shall visit a business premise for inspection at least once in a financial year as per schedule drawn and approved by the chief officer.
- 2. Weights and Measures officers shall inspect premises for prepackaged goods for compliance with Weights and Measures Act CAP 513
- 3. Weights and Measures officers shall record in the specified form (GMC/TTC/TRA/002/F01) the findings in the particular traders' premises
- 4. The trader shall unpack goods and repackage immediately
- 5. On establishment of a malpractice, Weights and Measures officers shall follow up on compliance after thirty days from date of the inpsection
- 6. Failure to comply with the inspection recommendations, goods shall be confiscated and prepared for presentation as exhibit during prosecution in a court of law
- 7. After litigation on non-compliance, a judgement is made by the court.