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WELMEC WG 2 FOREWORD

The Measuring Instruments Directive (MID) 2004/22/EC entered into force on the 30th October 2006. In this new approach directive the presumption of conformity is mentioned in Article 13. In addition to the use of harmonised standards (Art. 13 point 1) a new route is open for the presumption of conformity by using OIML recommendations (Art. 13 point 2).

"Member States shall presume conformity with the essential requirements referred to in Annex I and in the relevant instrument-specific Annexes in respect of a measuring instruments that complies with the corresponding parts of the normative documents and lists referred to in Article 16(1)(a), the references in respect of which have been published in the Official Journal of the European Union, C series."

Article 4(i) defines that

"normative document" means a document containing technical specifications adopted by the Organisation International de Métrologie Légale (OIML), subject to the procedure stipulated in Article 16(1)".

In Article 16 (1) (a) the functions of the Measuring Instruments Committee are described as follows:

"identify normative documents drawn up by OIML and, in a list, indicate the parts thereof compliance with which gives rise to a presumption of conformity with the corresponding essential requirements of this Directive".

In the WELMEC Committee Meeting in May 2005 WELMEC agreed to support the work of the Commission on this issue and the MI-xxx Annexes of the MID has been given to the Working Groups of WELMEC to develop corresponding tables including comments as a basis for the publication foreseen in the Directive. A timetable has been established and rules for drawing up these tables have been given by the WELMEC Committee. To prepare a proposal at least 3 experts has been involved. The drafts have been discussed in the responsible Working Group (including industry). The results have been sent do the WELMEC Secretariat and the WELMEC Committee Members has been asked for Comments. These drafts have been discussed during the WELMEC Committee Meeting in May 2006 and have been adopted as WELMEC guides.

The documents have been sent to the European Commission for further consideration and for drafting the publication required in the directive. This has been done in a small Working Group with the European Commission (June, July 2006).

The European Commission presented the simplified tables to the Commission Working Group on Measuring Instruments for further comment and subsequently obtained a positive advice from the Measuring Instruments Committee on 25 September 2006.

The simplified tables are published In the Official Journal of the European Union, series C n° 269, p I of 4 November 2006. As guidance, WELMEC is publishing the full tables with all the comments and detailed information underlying the simplified tables to aid all interested and concerned parties.

The European Commission webpage gives the link to the documents of WELMEC.

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Continuous Totalisers (R50-1 1997) REQUIREMENTS and correspondence

REQUIREMENTS and correspondence		C ommonto
Directive 2004/22/EC Essential requirenements of Annex 1 and	OIML R50	Comments
common part and chapter V of Annex MI-006 ANNEX 1		
ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS		
A measuring instrument shall provide a high level of metrological	See details in 2,	Also objective
protection in order that any party affected can have confidence in the	3 & 4	of OIML
result of measurement, and shall be designed and manufactured to a	544	
high level of quality in respect of the measurement technology and		
security of the measurement data.		
The requirements that shall be met by measuring instruments are set		Comment only,
out below and are supplemented, where appropriate, by specific		below are the
instrument requirements in Annexes MI-001 to MI-010 that provide		details of
more detail on certain aspects of the general requirements.		correspondenc
······		e
The solutions adopted in the pursuit of the requirements shall take		Also objective
account of the intended use of the instrument and any foreseeable		of OIML
misuse thereof.		
DEFINITIONS		VIM (reference
Measurand		document
The measurand is the particular quantity subject to measurement.		shared by
Influence quantity	VIM 2.7 & T.6.1	BIPM,
An influence quantity is a quantity that is not the measurand but that		IEC,IFCC,ISO,I
affects the result of measurement.		UPAC,IUAPP,
Rated Operating Conditions	VIM 5.5 & T.6.2	OIML)
The rated operating conditions are the values for the measurand and)	(Slightly
influence quantities making up the normal working conditions of an		different
instrument.		wording)
Disturbance	T.6.1.2	2nd sentence is
An influence quantity having a value within the limits specified in the		a comment
appropriate requirement but outside the specified rated operating		(Slightly
conditions of the measuring instrument. An influence quantity is a		different
disturbance if for that influence quantity the rated operating conditions		wording)
are not specified.		
Critical change value	T.5.5	editorial
The critical change value is the value at which the change in the		difference that
measurement result is considered undesirable.		CCV is a limit
		where SF
		corresponds to
		all errors beyond the limit
Material Measure		
A material measure is a device intended to reproduce or supply in a		
permanent manner during its use one or more known values of a given		
quantity.		
Direct sales		
A trading transaction is direct sales if:		
 the measurement result serves as the basis for the price to pay 		
and;		
- at least one of the parties involved in the transaction related to		
measurement is a consumer or any other party requiring a similar		
level of protection and;		
– all the parties in the transaction accept the measurement result at		
that time and place.		
Climatic environments		Comment
Climatic environments are the conditions in which measuring		
instruments may be used. To cope with climatic differences between		
the Member States, a range of temperature limits has been defined.		
Utility		
A utility is regarded as a supplier of electricity, gas, heat or water.		
1. Allowable Errors		
1.1. Under rated operating conditions and in the absence of a	4.1.1	
disturbance, the error of measurement shall not exceed the	1	

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	num permissible erro opriate instrument-sp			d dowr	n in ⁻	the		
Unless stated otherwise in the instrument-specific annexes, MPE is expressed as a bilateral value of the deviation from the true measurement value						2.2.1 & 2.2.3		
distur	rated operating cond bance, the performate appropriate instrume	nce require	ment sha	ll be as		d down	4.1.2, 4.3, 4.5.2	
perm perfo modu	e the instrument is in anent continuous ele rmance during the ra llated test shall be wi	ctromagne diated elec thin MPE.	tic field th tromagne	e perm tic field	itteo I-an	d iplitude		No reference to permanent continuous electromagnetic field
electro to be u affect i	anufacturer shall spea magnetic environmer sed, power supply ar ts accuracy, taking ac appropriate instrumer	nts in which nd other inf ccount of th	n the instru luence qui ne require	ument antities	is in s like	tended ely to	5.1.1	
1.3.1. Clima The r the lo unles indica non-o	atic environments nanufacturer shall sp wer temperature limi is otherwise specified ate whether the instru- condensing humidity iment, i.e. open or clo	ecify the u t from any in the ann ment is de as well as t	oper temp of the valu exes MI-0 signed fo	ues in ⁻ 01 to l r conde	Tabl MI-C ensi	e 1 10, and ng or	2.5.4.1 4.5.1	No reference to condensing humidity or location
		Table 1	Temperat	ure Lin	nits		2.5.4.1	-10 to +40°C
	erature limit erature limit	30 °C 5 °C	40 °C - 10 °C	55 °(- 25 °	2	70 °C - 40 °C	-	Min of 30°C
Lowertemp		00	10 0	20	•	10 0		
1.3.2. (a)	Mechanical environ M3 as described be		classified	into cla	asse	es M1 to		Classes not covered in R 50-1 1997
	 M1 This class appl with vibration a instruments fas subject to negli transmitted for activities, slam M2 This class appl with significant 	nd shocks stened to lig gible vibra n local bla ming doors ies to instr or high lev	of low sig ght suppo tions and sting or pi s, etc. uments us rels of vibr	nifican rting st shocks le-drivi sed in l ration a	ce, ruct ng oca	e.g. for ures tions shock,		
	e.g. transmitted in the vicinity o conveyor belts	r adjacent etc.	to heavy r	nachin	es,			
	M3 This class appl where the leve very high, e.g. machines, con	of vibratio	n and sho ents mou	ock is h	igh	and		
(b)	The following influ- relation with mecha – Vibration; – Mechanical shoo	ence quant nical envir	ities shall	be con	side	ered in		
1.3.3. (a)	Electromagnetic env E1, E2 or E3 as deso down in the appropri	cribed belo	w, unless	otherv	vise	laid	Severity levels are referenced in each test and are equivalent to E1.	No classes used in R50-1 1997
	E1 This class appl with electroma those likely to b light industrial l	gnetic distu be found in	urbances of	corresp	onc	ling to		
	iight industrial i							

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 E2 This class applies to instruments used in locations with electromagnetic disturbances corresponding to those likely to be found in other industrial buildings. E3 This class applies to instruments supplied by the battery of a vehicle. Such instruments shall comply with the requirements of E 2 and the following additional requirements: voltage reductions caused by energising the starter-motor circuits of internal combustion engines load dump transients occurring in the event of a discharged battery being disconnected while the engine is running. 		No equivalent to E3
 (b) The following influence quantities shall be considered in relation with electromagnetic environments: Voltage interruptions, Short voltage reductions, Voltage transients on supply lines and/or signal lines, Electrostatic discharges, Radio frequency electromagnetic fields, Conducted radio frequency electromagnetic fields on supply lines and/or signal lines, Surges on supply lines and/or signal lines. 	4.1.2 & 4.5.2 A.8.1 A.8.1 A.8.2 A.8.3 A.8.4	Only to 1 GHz No conducted rf No surges
 1.3.4. Other influence quantities to be considered, where appropriate, are: Voltage variation, Mains frequency variation, 	2.5.4.3 & 4.5.5 & A.7.4 / 2.5.4.4 & 4.5.6 & A.7.5	
 Power frequency magnetic fields, Any other quantity likely to influence in a significant way the accuracy of the instrument. 	2.5.5.4 & A.9.4 4.5.3 & A.6.1.1 &	Short-term stability of zero Warm-up time
	A.6.1.2 (T.4.9)	
	2.5.2 & A.6.3.2	Eccentric loading
	2.5.1 & A.6.3.1	Variation of simulation speed
1.4. When carrying out the tests as envisaged in this Directive, the following paragraphs apply:	2.5.4.2 & A.7.2	Comment
1.4.1. Basic rules for testing and the determination of errors		
Essential requirements specified in 1.1 and 1.2 shall be verified for each relevant influence quantity. Unless otherwise specified in the appropriate instrument-specific annex, these essential requirements apply when each influence quantity is applied and its effect evaluated separately, all other influence quantities being kept relatively constant at their reference value.	5.1.3.4	
Metrological tests shall be carried out during or after the application of the influence quantity, whichever condition corresponds to the normal operational status of the instrument when that influence quantity is likely to occur.	Annex A	Conditions are listed in each test
 According to the climatic operating environment in which the 	4.5.1	Non-

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	instrument is intended to be used either the damp heat-steady state (non-condensing) or damp heat cyclic (condensing) test may be appropriate.	A.7.3	condensing only
	 The damp heat cyclic test is appropriate where condensation is important or when penetration of vapour will be accelerated by the effect of breathing. In conditions where non- condensing humidity is a factor the damp-heat steady state is appropriate. 		
2.	Reproducibility The application of the same measurand in a different location or by a different user, all other conditions being the same, shall result in the close agreement of successive measurements. The difference between the measurement results shall be small when compared with the MPE		No special requirement. Reproducibility is in general covered by all other tests
3.	Repeatability		
	The application of the same measurand under the same conditions of measurement shall result in the close agreement of successive measurements. The difference between the measurement results shall be small when compared with the MPE.	2.5.5.1 & A.9.1 2.6.1	
4.	Discrimination and Sensitivity		
	A measuring instrument shall be sufficiently sensitive and the discrimination threshold shall be sufficiently low for the intended measurement task.	2.5.5.2 & A.9.2 2.5.5.3 & A.9.3 2.6.3 & A.10.2	
5.	Durability		
	A measuring instrument shall be designed to maintain an adequate stability of its metrological characteristics over a period of time estimated by the manufacturer, provided that it is properly installed, maintained and used according to the manufacturer's instruction when in the environmental conditions for which it is intended.	4.1.3 T.7.4	No test procedure
6.	Reliability	3.2.1 to 3.2.6	
	A measuring instrument shall be designed to reduce as far as possible the effect of a defect that would lead to an inaccurate measurement result, unless the presence of such a defect is obvious.	3.3.1 3.4 to 3.8 4.1.2 & 4.3	
7.	Suitability		
7.1.	A measuring instrument shall have no feature likely to facilitate fraudulent use, whereas possibilities for unintentional misuse shall be minimal.	2.2.2 3.1 & 3.2 3.3.6 3.10	
7.2.	A measuring instrument shall be suitable for its intended use taking account of the practical working conditions and shall not require unreasonable demands of the user in order to obtain a correct measurement result.	3.1	
7.3.	The errors of a utility measuring instrument at flows or currents outside the controlled range shall not be unduly biased.		
7.4.	Where a measuring instrument is designed for the measurement of values of the measurand that are constant over time, the measuring instrument shall be insensitive to small fluctuations of the value of the measurand, or shall take appropriate action.		

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7.5.	A measuring instrument shall be robust and its materials of construction shall be suitable for the conditions in which it is intended to be used.	3.1, 3.7 & 3.8	
7.6.	A measuring instrument shall be designed so as to allow the control of the measuring tasks after the instrument has been placed on the market and put into use. If necessary, special equipment or software for this control shall be part of the instrument. The test procedure shall be described in the operation manual.	5.2.1.1 A.10 & A.11	No reference to operation manual in R50
	When a measuring instrument has associated software which provides other functions besides the measuring function, the software that is critical for the metrological characteristics shall be identifiable and shall not be inadmissibly influenced by the associated software.		No mention of software
8.	Protection against corruption		
8.1.	The metrological characteristics of a measuring instrument shall not be influenced in any inadmissible way by the connection to it of another device, by any feature of the connected device itself or by any remote device that communicates with the measuring instrument.	3.2.6 3.9 4.5.4	
8.2.	A hardware component that is critical for metrological characteristics shall be designed so that it can be secured. Security measures foreseen shall provide for evidence of an intervention.	3.10	
8.3.	Software that is critical for metrological characteristics shall be identified as such and shall be secured.		No mention of software
	Software identification shall be easily provided by the measuring instrument.		
	Evidence of an intervention shall be available for a reasonable period of time.		
8.4.	Measurement data, software that is critical for measurement characteristics and metrologically important parameters stored or transmitted shall be adequately protected against accidental or intentional corruption.		No mention of software
8.5.	For utility measuring instruments the display of the total quantity supplied or the displays from which the total quantity supplied can be derived, whole or partial reference to which is the basis for payment, shall not be able to be reset during use.		Not applicable
9.	Information to be borne by and to accompany the		
9.1.	A measuring instrument shall bear the following inscriptions:	3.11	
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	 manufacturer's mark or name; information in respect of its accuracy, 		
	plus, when applicable:		
	 information in respect of the conditions of use; 		
	 measuring capacity; measuring range; 		
	 identity marking; 		
	 number of the EC-type examination certificate or the EC design examination certificate; 		
	 information whether or not additional devices providing 		

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	metrological results comply with the provisions of this Directive on legal metrological control.		
9.2.	An instrument of dimensions too small or of too sensitive a composition to allow it to bear the relevant information shall have its packaging, if any, and the accompanying documents required by the provisions of this Directive suitably marked.		Not applicable
9.3.	 The instrument shall be accompanied by information on its operation, unless the simplicity of the measuring instrument makes this unnecessary. Information shall be easily understandable and shall include where relevant: rated operating conditions; mechanical and electromagnetic environment classes; the upper and lower temperature limit, whether condensation is possible or not, open or closed location; instructions for installation, maintenance, repairs, permissible adjustments; instructions for correct operation and any special conditions of use; conditions for compatibility with interfaces, sub-assemblies or measuring instruments. 	3.11 & 3.12	Markings on instrument No mention of "user manual" or information for the user
9.4.	Groups of identical measuring instruments used in the same location or used for utility measurements do not necessarily require individual instruction manuals.		Not mentioned
9.5.	Unless specified otherwise in an instrument-specific annex, the scale interval for a measured value shall be in the form 1×10^{n} , 2×10^{n} , or 5×10^{n} , where n is any integer or zero. The unit of measurement or its symbol shall be shown close to the numerical value.	3.3.2 3.3.1	
9.6	A material measure shall be marked with a nominal value or a scale, accompanied by the unit of measurement used.		Not applicable
9.7.	The units of measurement used and their symbols shall be in accordance with the provisions of Community legislation on units of measurement and their symbols.	3.11	Units of measurement implied
9.8.	All marks and inscriptions required under any requirement shall be clear, non-erasable, unambiguous and non-transferable.	3.11.5 3.12	
<u>10.</u> 10.1.	Indication of result Indication of the result shall be by means of a display or hard copy.	3.3	
10.2.	The indication of any result shall be clear and unambiguous and accompanied by such marks and inscriptions necessary to inform the user of the significance of the result. Easy reading of the presented result shall be permitted under normal conditions of use. Additional indications may be shown provided they cannot be confused with the metrologically controlled indications.	3.3	
10.3.	In the case of hard copy the print or record shall also be easily legible and non-erasable.	3.3.1 for printing only	
10.4.	A measuring instrument for direct sales trading transactions shall be designed to present the measurement result to both parties in the transaction when installed as intended. When critical in case of direct sales, any ticket provided to the consumer by an ancillary device not complying with the appropriate requirements of this Directive shall bear an appropriate restrictive information.		Not applicable

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10.5. Whether or not a measuring instrument intended for utility measurement purposes can be remotely read it shall in any case be fitted with a metrologically controlled display accessible without tools to the consumer. The reading of this display is the measurement result that serves as the basis for the price to pay.		Not applicable
11. Further processing of data to conclude the trading transaction		
 11.1. A measuring instrument other than a utility measuring instrument shall record by a durable means the measurement result accompanied by information to identify the particular transaction, when: the measurement is non-repeatable and; the measuring instrument is normally intended for use in the absence of one of the trading parties. 	3.3	There is no mandatory requirement to have a printer
11.2. Additionally, a durable proof of the measurement result and the information to identify the transaction shall be available on request at the time the measurement is concluded.		There is no mandatory requirement in R 50-1 1997 to have a printer
12. Conformity evaluation		
A measuring instrument shall be designed so as to allow ready evaluation of its conformity with the appropriate requirements of this Directive.	5	
ANNEX MI-006		
AUTOMATIC WEIGHING INSTRUMENTS		
The relevant essential requirements of Annex I, the specific requirements of this Annex and the conformity assessment procedures listed in Chapter I of this Annex, apply to automatic weighing instruments defined below, intended to determine the mass of a body by using the action of gravity on that body.	T.1.1	Slightly different wording
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Automatic weighing instrument An instrument that determines the mass of a product without the intervention of an operator and follows a predetermined programme of automatic processes characteristic of the instrument.	T.1.2	Slightly different wording
Automatic catchweigher An automatic weighing instrument that determines the mass of pre- assembled discrete loads (for example prepackages) or single loads of loose material.		
Automatic checkweigher An automatic catchweigher that subdivides articles of different mass into two or more subgroups according to the value of the difference of their mass and a nominal set-point.		
Weight labeller An automatic catchweigher that labels individual articles with the		
weight value. Weight/price labeller		
An automatic catchweigher that labels individual articles with the weight value, and price information.		
Automatic gravimetric filling instrument An automatic weighing instrument that fills containers with a predetermined and virtually constant mass of product from bulk.		
Discontinuous totaliser (totalising hopper weigher) An automatic weighing instrument that determines the mass of a bulk product by dividing it into discrete loads. The mass of each discrete load is determined in sequence and summed. Each discrete load is then delivered to bulk.		

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Continuous totaliser An automatic weighing instrument that continuously determines the mass of a bulk product on a conveyor belt, without systematic subdivision of the product and without interrupting the movement of the conveyor belt.	T.1.3	Slightly different title
Rail-weighbridge An automatic weighing instrument having a load receptor inclusive of rails for conveying railway vehicles.		
SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS Chapter I – Requirements common to all types of automatic		
weighing instruments		
 Rated Operating Conditions The manufacturer shall specify the rated operating conditions for the instrument as follows: Output Description: Descripting: Descr	4.1.1 5.1.1	5.1.1 is common to 1.1 to 1.4 below
 For the measurand: The measuring range in terms of its maximum and minimum capacity. 	T.4.4	
1.2. For the electrical supply influence quantities:		
In case of AC voltage supply: the nominal AC voltage supply, or the AC voltage limits.	2.5.4.3 & 4.5.5	
In case of DC voltage supply: the nominal and minimum DC voltage supply, or the DC voltage limits.	2.5.4.4 & 4.5.6	
1.3. For the mechanical and climatic influence quantities:	2.5.4.1	
The minimum temperature range is 30°C unless specified otherwise in the following chapters of this Annex.		
The mechanical environment classes according to Annex I, paragraph 1.3.2 are not applicable. For instruments which are used under special mechanical strain, e.g. instruments incorporated into vehicles, the manufacturer shall define the mechanical conditions of use.		
1.4. For other influence quantities (if applicable):		
The rate(s) of operation.	2.4	Minimum flowrate
The characteristics of the product(s) to be weighed.	T.2.2	liowide
2. Permissible effect of disturbances – Electromagnetic environment		Comment
The required performance and the critical change value are given in the relevant Chapter of this Annex for each type of instrument.		
3. Suitability		
3.1. Means shall be provided to limit the effects of tilt, loading and rate of operation such that maximum permissible errors (MPEs) are not exceeded in normal operation.	3.1, 3.6, 3.7 & 3.8 (T.3.5) 4.1.1	
3.2. Adequate material handling facilities shall be provided to enable the instrument to respect the MPEs during normal operation.	3.8	
3.3. Any operator control interface shall be clear and effective.	3.2.4 3.3.1	
3.4. The integrity of the display (where present) shall be verifiable by the operator.	4.4	

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3.5.		apability shall be provided to enable the	2.5.3, 2.5.5.4,	
	instrument to respect the	e MPEs during normal operation.	2.5.5.5, 3.5	
			(T.3.8.1)	
			A.6.3.3, A.6.3.4	
			2.6.2 & A.10.1	
			2.6.3 & A.10.2	
			2.6.4 & A.10.3	
3.6.	Any result outside the m such, where a printout is	easurement range shall be identified as possible.	3.4	(Indication not printout)
4.	Conformity assessment			
	The conformity assessm the manufacturer can ch	ent procedures referred to in Article 9 that oose between are:		
	For mechanical systems B+D or B+E or B+F or D			
	For electromechanical in B+D or B+E or B+F or G			
	For electronic systems o B+D or B+F or G or H1.	r systems containing software:		
	pter V – Continuous To	talisers		
1.	Accuracy Classes			
	Instruments are divided 0.5, 1, 2.	into three accuracy classes as follows:	2.1	
2.	Measurement Range			
2.1.		specify the measurement range, the ratio	2.3	No measuring
		et load on the weighing unit and the the minimum totalised load.	2.4	range, but definition by Max and flow
2.2.	The minimum totalised lo	2.3	rate values	
	800 d for class 0.5, 400 d for class 1, 200 d for class 2.			
	Where d is the totalisatic device.	on scale interval of the general totalisation		
3	MPE		2.2.1 - Table 1	The sentence
				in 2.2.1 is not in
		Table 8		MI-006.
	Accuracy class	MPE for totalised load		However, in
	0.5	± 0,25 %		practice, it is
	1	± 0,5 %		necessary to
	2	± 1,0 %		round as indicated in
4	Spood of the helt			R50 – 2.2.1
4	Speed of the belt			
		all be specified by the manufacturer. For	5.1.1	
	single-speed beltweighe	3.8.3		
	having a manual speed s more than 5 % of the no	3.8 (4th bullet)		

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5 General Totalisation Device	3.2.2	
It shall not be possible to reset the general totalisation device to zero.		
6. Performance under influence factors and electromagnetic disturbances		
6.1. The MPE due to influence factor, for a load not less than the Σ_{min} , shall be 0,7 times the appropriate value specified in Table 8, rounded to the nearest totalisation scale interval (d).	2.2.3	
6.2. The critical change value due to a disturbance shall be 0.7 times the appropriate value specified in Table 8, for a load equal to Σ_{min} , for the designated class of the beltweigher; rounded up to the next higher totalisation scale interval (d).	T.5.5	Term "significant fault" is used