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IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by section 31 of the Weights and Measures Act, 1970 the Minister of Commerce, Industry and Water Affairs has made the following regulations -

1. These regulations may be cited as the Weights and Measures (Certificate of Competency) Regulations, 1972. Citation
2. In these regulations unless the context otherwise requires -
"certificate of competency" means a certificate declaring that a person is competent in the repair of weighing instruments, measuring instruments, weights and measures. Interpretation
3. Any person, aged 18 years or over, may apply to the Controller for a certificate of competency. Applications
4. (1) The Controller shall cause an applicant for a certificate of competency to be examined as to his knowledge of the Weights and Measures Act and regulations and particular classes of instruments, weights or measures for which the applicant wishes to hold a certificate of competency. Examination
(2) The examination mentioned in subregulation (1) shall be conducted in such manner as the Controller sees fit and the examination in the theory, construction and installation and repair of instruments, weights or

measures may be waived in the case of applicants who have served a recognised apprenticeship in the repair of such instruments, weights and measures.

Issue of certificate

5. (1) If the Controller is satisfied that an applicant for a certificate of competency has sufficient knowledge of the Act and regulations and is a person who can manufacture, instal and repair instruments, weights and measures, as the case may be, to comply with the Act and regulations he shall, upon receipt of the prescribed fee, issue the applicant with a certificate of competency.

(2) A certificate of competency may be issued for all or any particular class of instruments, weights or measures.

Validity of certificate

6. A certificate of competency shall expire on the thirty-first day of December each year but may be renewed upon application to the Controller and on payment of the prescribed fee. The Controller shall renew the certificate if he is satisfied that the work of the holder is satisfactory:

Provided that, where the Controller refuses to renew a certificate of competency he shall, in writing, advise the applicant of the reasons for the refusal.

Withdrawal of certificate

7. The Controller may at any time withdraw a certificate of competency if he is satisfied that the holder has failed to comply with the Act and regulations:

Provided that, where a certificate of competency is withdrawn, the Controller shall advise the holder, in writing, of the reasons for the withdrawal.

Appeal

8. Any persons aggrieved by a decision of the Controller under these regulations may appeal to the Minister whose decision shall be final.

Authorisation of other officers

9. The Controller may, in writing, authorise any other officer of his Department to perform his functions under these regulations.

Reasons for refusal of certificate

10. The Controller and any other officer aforesaid shall not be required to give any reason for refusing the issue to any person of a certificate of competency.

Dated the 3rd day of February, 1972.

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