Weights & Measures (Jersey) Law 1967

A guide for licensees

If you are a Licensee, the law relating to Weights & Measures applies to you.

This document gives a summary to help you understand the way you are required to sell beers, wines, and spirits on your premises.

Beer, Lager and Cider

Beer, Lager and Cider, EXCEPT when mixed with another drink, can only be sold draught (served from a cask rather than from a bottle) in the following quantities:

1/3 pint

2/3 pint

1/2 pint

Or multiples of 1/2 pint

All glasses used to serve beer, lager and cider must be marked with the Crown stamp or with the European stamp. or UKCA stamped

For outside catering events—stamped plastic glasses should be used.

Stamped Lined measures

Holds 1 pint of liquid to the line and allows room for a head.



Stamped Brim measures

Holds 1 pint of liquid when filled to the brim.



Spirits

Gin, Whisky, Vodka, Brandy and Rum. (Prescribed Spirits).

These may only be sold in the following quantities unless they are sold in cocktails of three or more liquids.

25ml

Or multiples of 25ml



All spirit measuring instruments (often referred to as optics) in use when dispensing Gin, Whisky, Vodka, Brandy or Rum must:

Bear the crown stamp European stamp or UKCA mark

Be used in full view of the customer.

All transparent plastic and stainless-steel measures or glass (referred to as **Thimbles**) must:

Bear the Crown or European stamp or UKCA mark

Be used in full view of the customer





Wine by the Glass



'Wine' includes red, white, rose, and sparkling table wines.

Wine when sold by the glass on the premises, must be sold in any of the following quantities:

125ml, 175ml or multiples thereof

Wine can be served in a glass marked with the Crown or European stamp or UKCA mark

OR

the wine can be measured into a stamped wine measure and poured into an unstamped glass.



Wine may also be dispensed from a Crown or

European stamped, or UKCA stamped measure



Signage

The following notices must be displayed in the bar area and should be easy for customers to read.

They clearly indicate the metric quantity supplied.

Notices must be displayed in every bar area.

Spirit Notice:

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Unless supplied prepacked

Brandy, Cognac, Gin, Rum, Vodka & Whisky

Are offered for sale on these premises in quantities of

25ml or multiples thereof

Wine Notice:

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on these premises

Red, White, Rose &

Sparkling Table Wines

When sold by the glass

are dispensed in quantities of

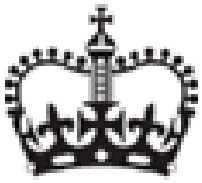
125ml or 175ml or multiples thereof

These notices are available free of charge from the Trading Standards Service.

Bottled drinks and drinks not required to be sold in specific quantities should be served in plain, unstamped glasses to avoid customer confusion and possible complaints of short measure being served.

All measuring equipment used to determine quantities of alcohol sold should be **'Government Stamped'**. The stamp applied ensures that the equipment, measurers, and glasses are accurate and are made to specific legal requirements.

Below are examples of the types of stamps. All are valid.



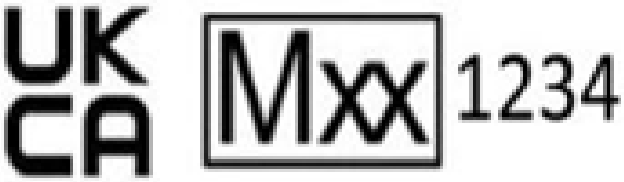
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You are not required to replace your crown stamped equipment with European stamped or UKCA stamped equipment.

Note: 'Optic' measure will continue to be marked with the 'crown' government stamp only.

As of 1st January 2021, new glasses will be UKCA-marked



Note: Stamps may appear on the base of the measure

This leaflet is designed to give basic guidelines on Weights and Measures and how they may apply to your business. For more detailed help and assistance on this and any other aspects of Trading Standards law, please contact us at the address below:

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