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## SMA Positions on the NCWM Specifications and Tolerances Committee Report For the NCWM Interim Meeting, Jan 2025 Developed November 6, 2024

### GEN - GENERAL CODE

#### GEN-25.1 G-S.5.6 Recorded Representations

**Position:** The SMA supports this item provided the QR code is unique for the specific transaction.

### SCL - SCALES CODE

#### SCL-24.2 D Multiple Sections Regarding Tare

**Position:** The SMA does not support this item and ask that it be withdrawn.

**Rationale:** The SMA does not feel there is confusion to warrant the change.

#### SCL-22.2 A UR.3.1. X. Required Minimum for Cannabis Products

**Position:** The SMA supports the continued development of this item.

**Recommendation:** Remove (b) statement under UR 3.1.X. If (b) stays the word “**considered**” needs to be removed and replaced with “**the**”.

#### SCL-25.1 S.5.2., S.6., and UR.3.1.

**Position:** The SMA opposes this item as written.

**Rationale:**

- Using d for the minimum capacity allows a much smaller minimum load, which results in a much larger relative error
- Marking requirement would result in a burden on manufacturers with limited benefit to the end user

#### SCL-25.2 Table S.6.3.a. Marking Requirements and Definitions

**Position:** The SMA supports this item.

## **SCL-25.3            UR.3.14. Zero-Balance Recorded Weight for Forklift Scales**

**Position:** The SMA opposes this item.

**Rationale:**

- Recording zero will not solve the scale being out of tolerance.
- The term “immediately prior” is too vague.

## **SCL-25.4            S.1.2.2.2. Class III, III L, and IIII Scales. and S.1.2.2.2.2. Weight Classifiers**

**Position:** The SMA supports this item.

### **AWS – AUTOMATIC WEIGHING SYSTEMS CODE**

#### **AWS-24.1    I    N.1.5. Test Loads**

**Position:** The SMA supports this item.

### **MDM – MULTIPLE DIMENSION MEASURING DEVICES**

#### **MDM-25.1            A.2. Other Devices Designed to Make Multiple Measurement Automatically to Determine Volume**

**Position:** The SMA supports the continued development of this item.

**Rationale:** The SMA feels this is missing many items such as marking requirements, reference to specific commodities from handbook 130, speed, out of measurement zone, direction (one way/both ways), and out of level.

#### **MDM-25.2            N.1 Test Procedures**

**Position:** The SMA does not support the item as written.

**Rationale:** The details, requirements, and test equipment for the initial and subsequent field testing are not currently included.

#### **MDM-25.3            T.3. Tolerance Values**

**Position:** The SMA supports this item as written.

### **OTH – OTHER ITEMS**

## OTH-25.1

## 2.26 Weigh-in-Motion Systems Used for Vehicle Direct Enforcement

**Position:** The SMA opposes this item.

**Rationale:**

- No guidance on when to use Class 5 vs Class 10
- No marking requirement currently listed for Class
- N.1.4 (b) references (Vmin) when Vmin already has a different meaning in Handbook 44
- N.1.6.2 should reference section T.2.1 instead of Table T.2.3