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3. Artificial Burning Logs

Last year at the 60th NCWM, a regulation was developed to require that all fireplace and stovewood be sold by volume.

The Federal Trade Commission still prefers, however, that compressed fireplace logs be sold by weight since a volume declaration might entice some manufacturers to market a less substantial product. Although, the committee noted with interest that one company recently complained to State weights and measures officials that their tests indicate that several brands sold in grocery, drug, discount, and other related outlets had a significant percentage of underweight logs.

The committee believes that uniformity between Federal guidelines and State regulations is necessary to avoid unnecessary complications for packagers and consumers and, therefore, recommends that the following sentence be added to Section 18.3. Quantity:

A single log shall be sold by weight, and packages of such individual logs containing less than 4 cubic feet ($\frac{1}{32}$ cord) may be sold by net weight plus count.

(The foregoing item was adopted by majority vote)