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SMA Positions on the NCWM Specifications and Tolerances Committee Report For the NCWM Interim Meeting, Jan 2024 Developed November 8, 2023

SCL - SCALES CODE

SCL-24.1 S.1.7 Capacity Indication, Weight ranges, and Unit Weights

Position: The SMA recommends this item to be informational to gain input from additional sources.

SCL-24.2 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Position: The SMA does not support this item and ask that it be withdrawn.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-22.3 D UR.3.3. Single-Draft Vehicle Weighing., and UR.3.4. Axle and Axle Group Weight Values.

Position: The SMA does not support adding the verbiage to the UR 3.3 Note section. Adding the verbiage to that exception opens the possibility of split weighing.

Rationale: The SMA does not feel this was the intent of the original submittal.

SCL-23.3 A Verification Scale Division e: Multiple Sections Including, T.N.1.3., Table 6., T.N.3., T.N.4., T.N.6., T.N.8., T.N.9., T.1., T.2., S.1.1.1., T.N.1.2., Table S.6.3.a., Table S.3.6.b., Appendix D, S.1.2.2., Table 3., S.5.4., UR.3., Table 8.

Position: The SMA supports this item and suggests it moves forward as a voting item.

SCL-22.2 A UR.1. SELECTION REQUIREMENTS, UR.1. X. CANNABIS

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

Recommendations:

- In Table 7a Class III, replace the word “All Cannabis” with “non-retail Cannabis”.
- Add in notes section in Table 7a; “Refer to table 8 for guidance on scale selection for Cannabis”.

AWS – AUTOMATIC WEIGHING SYSTEMS CODE

AWS-24.1 N.1.5. Test Loads

Position: The SMA supports this item.

AWS-24.2 N.1.6. Influence Factor Testing

Position: The SMA supports this item.

AWS-24.3 N.2.2.3. Shift Test (Dynamic)

Position: The SMA supports this item.

WIM – WEIGH-IN-MOTION SYSTEMS – tentative code

WIM-23.1 I Remove Tentative Status and Amend Numerous Sections

Position: The SMA opposes this item.

Recommendations:

- Acceptance and maintenance tolerances should be established.
- Tolerances should be similar to those used in OIML R134.
 - Table 1 – E/5 total vehicle mass 2.5% Acceptance / 5% Maintenance
 - Table 4 – E/5 axle 4% Acceptance / 8% Maintenance

OTH – OTHER ITEMS

OTH-24.2 Appendix D, Definitions: National Type Evaluation Program (NTEP) and Certificate of Conformance (CC)

Position: The SMA supports this item.