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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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### GENERAL OUTLINE

These regulations are made under section 81 of the *Trade Measurement Act 1991* (the Act). They are part of the package of uniform legislation introduced pursuant to the Commonwealth-State-Territory Agreement on Uniform Trade Measurement Legislation and Administration to which the Territory became a signatory in 1990.

The regulations prescribe units of measurement used to determine the price of certain liquors and the units of measurement to be used when certain other articles are advertised or exposed for sale.

### NOTES OF REGULATIONS

Regulations 1 and 2 provide for the citation of the regulations and that "the Act" means the *Trade Measurement Act 1991*.

Regulation 3 prescribes for the purposes of section 26 of the Act that beer, brandy and spirits are to be sold by quantities determined by volume. (Section 26 of the Act makes it an offence to sell an article by reference to quantities of measurement other than those required by the regulations.)

Regulation 4 ensures that when prices for multiple units of measure are offered (eg "\$5 for 3 kg"), the price per single unit of measure is also stated. Regulation 4 does not apply to beer or spirits, pre-packed articles or precious stones.

The mass of precious metals may be stated in grams or troy ounces.

The articles specified in the table may be exposed or advertised for sale by reference to the measurement of the length, width, thickness, diameter or other linear measurement in millimetres, centimetres or metres.