



National
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National Legal Metrology Projects

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How are projects identified

TS officers have the option to nominate projects in their Section 70 Return.

Analysis of issues reported via svandnbissues@nmro.gov.uk

Risk matrix contained within the Section 70 Return

Other evidence

National Legal Metrology projects are intelligence based

National Legal Metrology Project

Aim of the projects

To support the enforcement community by identifying problems within measuring and weighing equipment industry

To help maintain competency within Trading Standards

To raise standards across industry

To encourage growth within UK economy by ensuring all business competes on a level playing field

Previous Projects

Medical Weighing Project 2013/14

- Non-Compliance rate – 23%
- Non stickered equipment – 12%
- Equipment not suitable for patient weighing requirements – 23%
- Equipment that carried required stickers – 59%

NMRO & TS can take these results and try to implement improvements in standards across this industry through education & training.

Future Projects 2015 - 2016

Looking at Verification activity within the Bulk Fuel, Liquid Fuel Dispenser & Weighbridge Industry

Targets Approved Manufacturers, Approved Verifiers and Conformity Assessment Bodies

Due to the training program and large scope of the project this will be run over two years

Local Authorities volunteer to participate, there is NO funding available to support National Legal Metrology Projects

Scope of the project

Witness initial and re-verification activity carried out by approved manufacturers (AM) under NAWI

Witness re-verification activity carried out by approved verifiers (AV) under UK or MID legislation

Attend sites following initial or re-verification activity carried out by AM or AV and carry out accuracy checks

Witness audits of AM & AV with the ACB

Outcomes of the Project

To identify if there are issues with the competency of companies carrying out verification activities

Improve relationship between verifiers and those carrying enforcement on behalf of NMRO

Maintain confidence in the process of appointing and auditing approved verifiers

Ensure those carrying out verification activity understand what activities they are approved to carry out

Any Questions?

