


# KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

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RESPONSIBLE FOR:  
COMMERCIAL SCALES  
PACKAGES (net quantity)  
LABELING REQUIREMENTS  
PRICE VERIFICATION



# SCALES



Commercial Scales must:

- Be certified and tested every 365 days by licensed service company
- Owner or user must provide scale test report upon official request
- Must have an NTEP (National Type Evaluation Program) Certificate of Conformance

# SCALES



- Owner/User Requirements
  - The consumer must be able to view entire weighing and measuring transaction
  - Clearance around load receiving/weighing element
  - Protect device from environmental factors (wind, radio frequency interference (RFI), and weather



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 RE-ORDER FORM

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CHAMPSS Code: \_\_\_\_\_

\$1.50 per meal  
 with your calculated  
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 , KS 66091

Nutrition Program™  
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WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE DUO?

SOUP

ANY VARIETY  
 12OZ BOWL

SALAD

REGULAR DILUSSO  
 SALAD (Cobb, Chicken, Club, Garden or Seafood)  
 OR 1 TRIP THROUGH  
 SALAD BAR 6" PLATE

SANDWICH

6" SUB  
 HARVESTER  
 CIABATTA  
 FOCACCIA

\$6.88



HOBART

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WEIGHT lb

PRICE \$/lb

TOTAL PRICE \$

Capacity 50 x 5.07 lb

END

WEIGHT

PRICE

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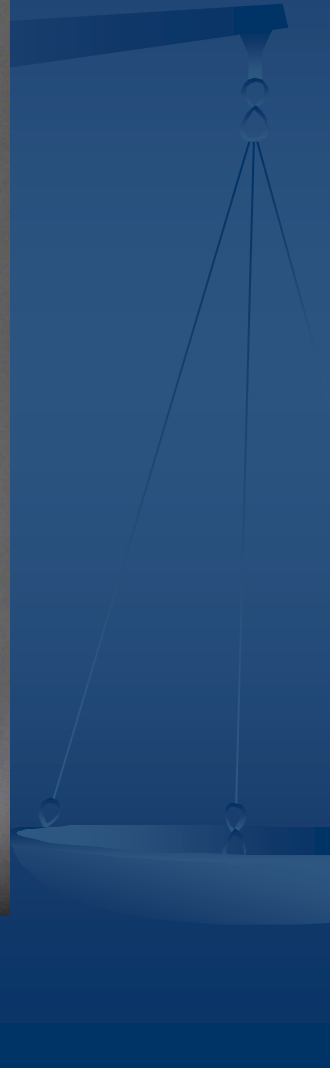


# SCALES



- Owner/User Requirements
  - Provide adequate support (weight of scale and test weights to capacity)
  - Keep portable devices level at all times
  - Must keep a copy of scale inspection report for five years with the device

# Maintaining in Level Helps Ensure Accuracy





# SCALES



- Owner/User Requirements
  - Use device according to manufacturers instruction
  - Use a device that is suitable for commodity being sold
  - May not alter or make changes to the design of the scale

# SERVICE COMPANY TECHNICIANS



- Technicians must
  - Test scales to full capacity
  - Follow established method of testing device (typically farmers market scales should be tested on the same support structure on which it will be used)
  - Have their weights tested by a lab that is traceable to NIST (National Institute of Standards and Technology) standards

# SERVICE COMPANY TECHNICIANS

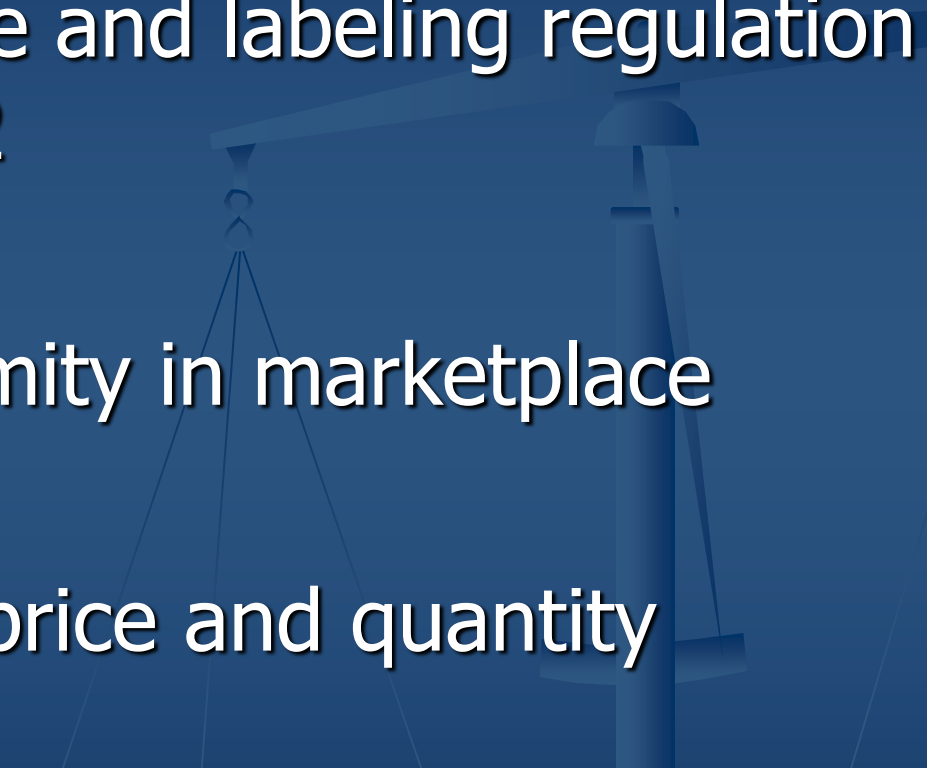
- Technicians must
- Provide a copy of the test report immediately to the owner or operator of the device
- Provide the owner or operator of the device with a copy of the DI701 (Device Installation report) if the scale is being put into commercial use for the first time in Kansas

# LICENSED SERVICE COMPANY

- List of licensed service companies is available from Weights and Measures
- 785-564-6700
- [loren.minnich@kda.ks.gov](mailto:loren.minnich@kda.ks.gov)



# PACKAGES

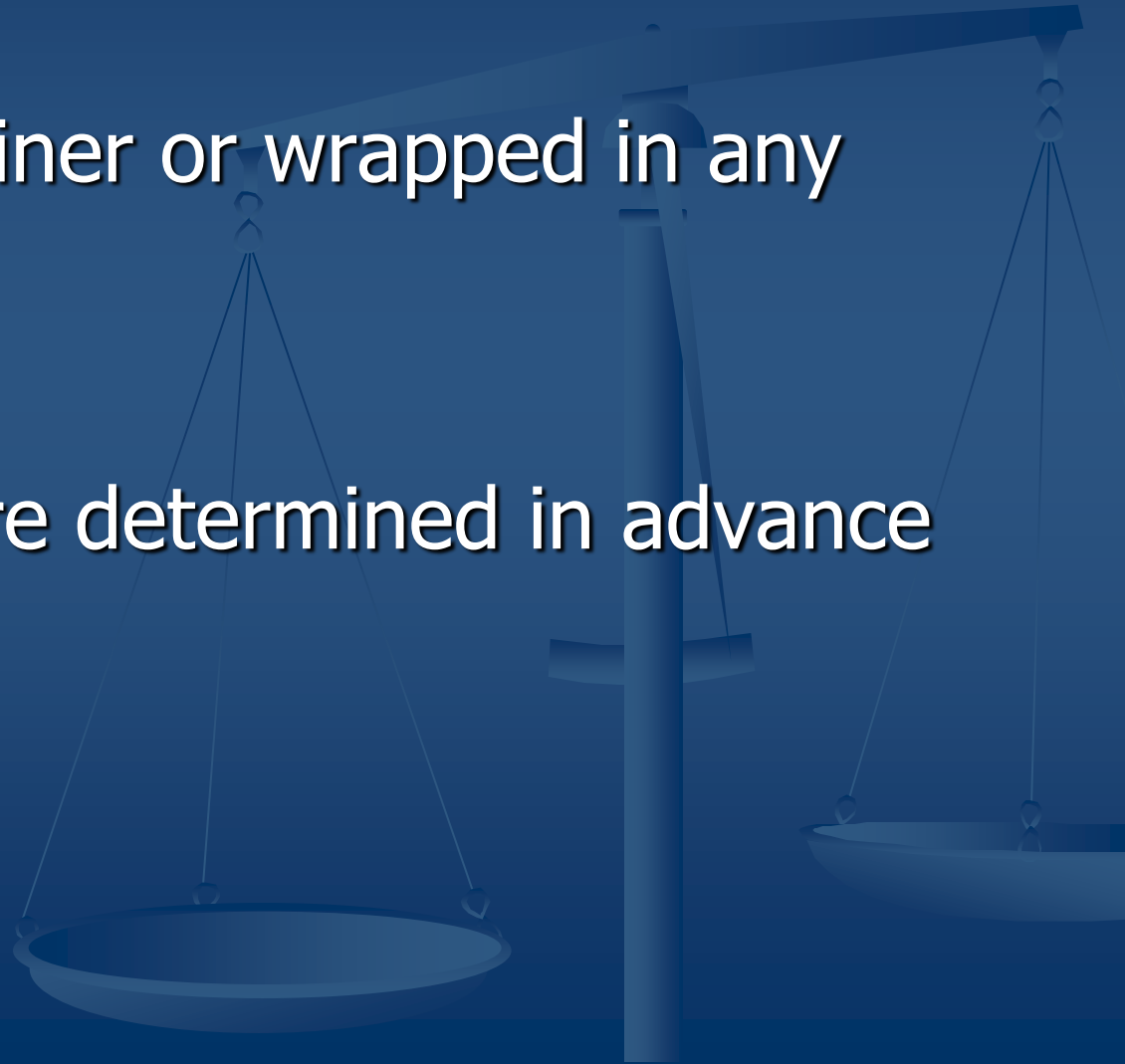
- Uniform package and labeling regulation adopted in 1952
  - Establish uniformity in marketplace
  - Give consumer price and quantity comparisons
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# PACKAGE

## DEFINITION:

Contents in container or wrapped in any manner

Weight or measure determined in advance of sale



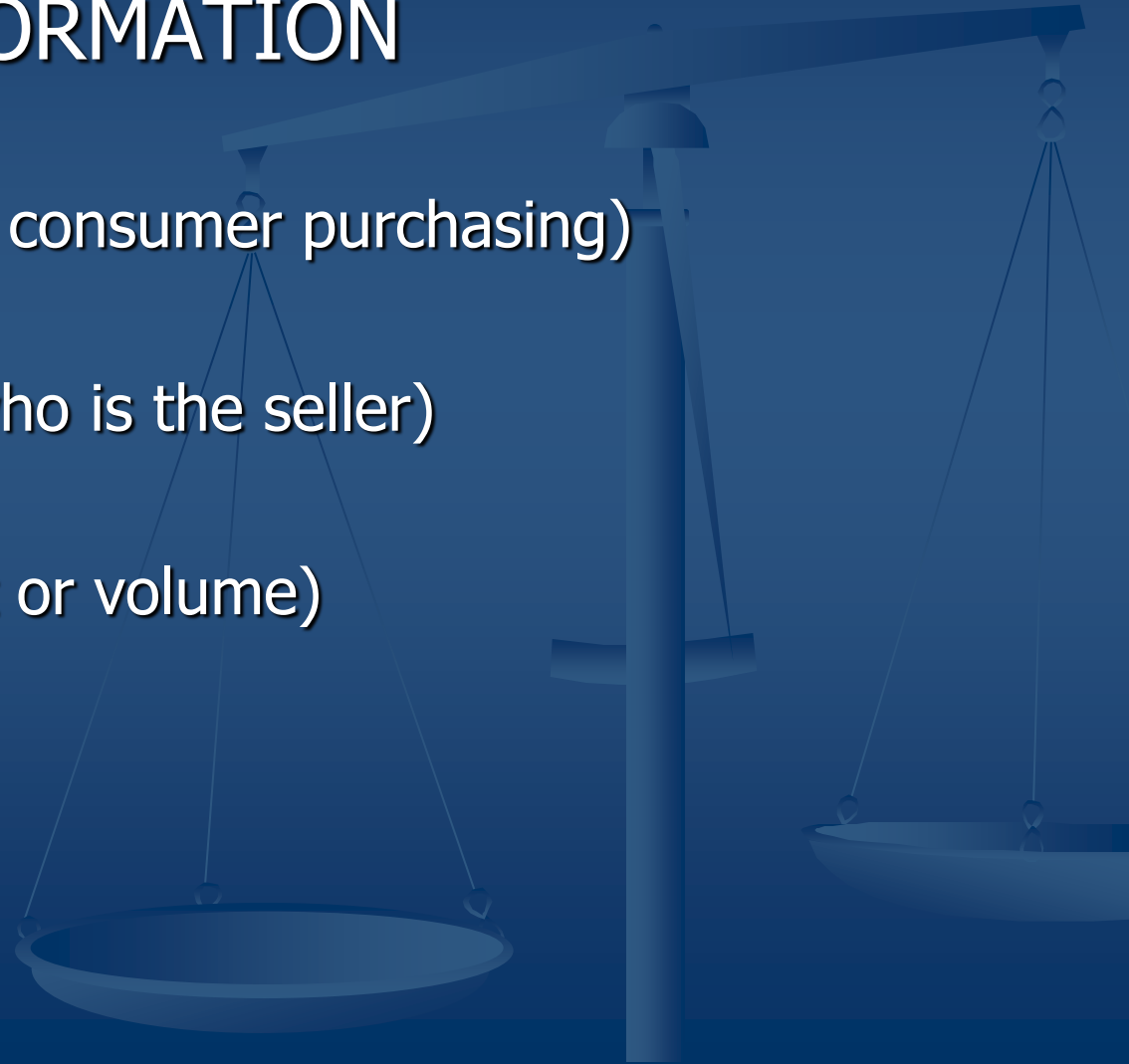
# PACKAGE

## ■ REQUIRED INFORMATION

Identity (what is consumer purchasing)

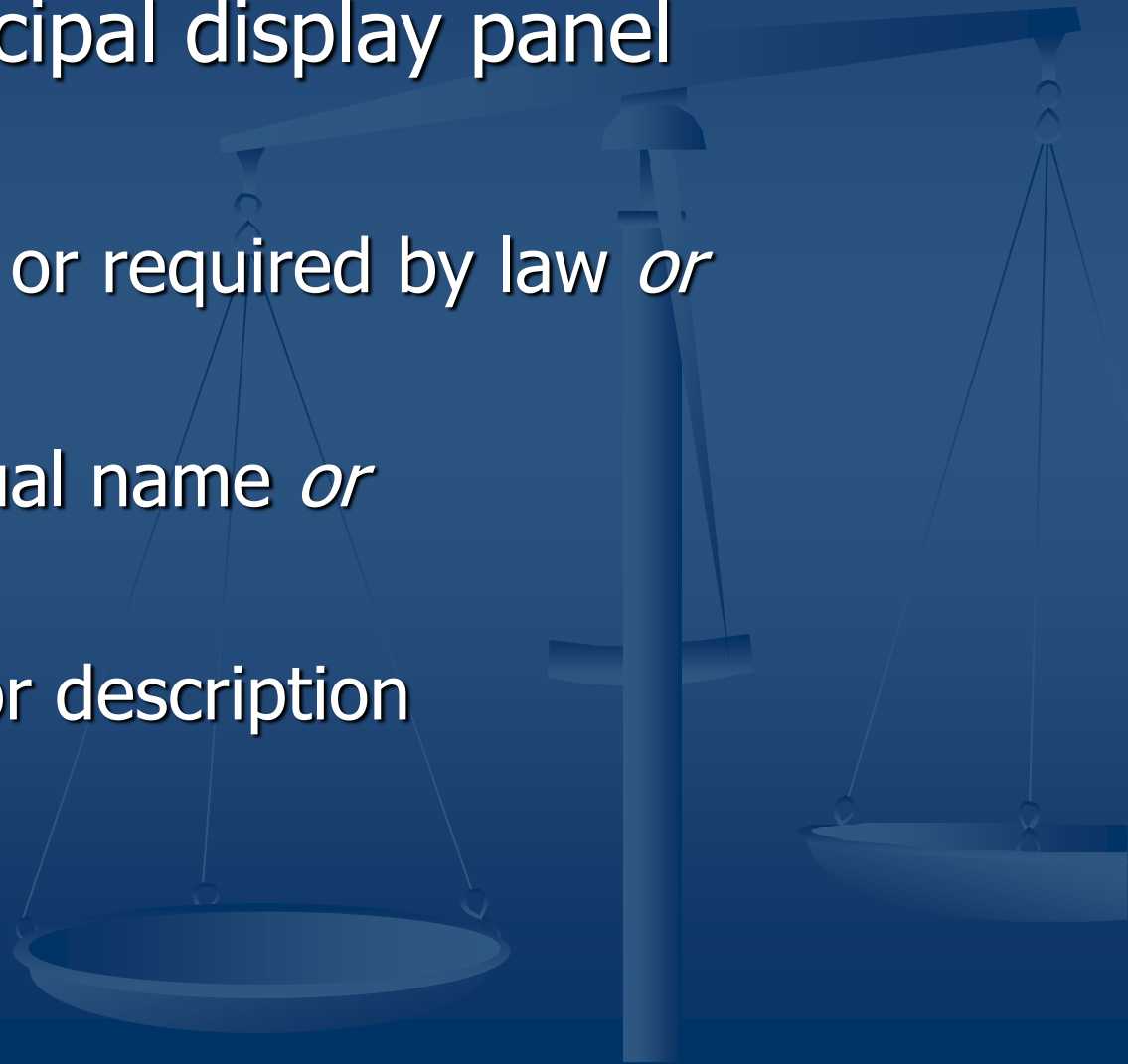
Responsibility (who is the seller)

Quantity (weight or volume)



# PACKAGE IDENTITY

- Located on principal display panel
  - Name specified or required by law *or*
  - Common or usual name *or*
  - Generic name or description





# DECLARATION OF RESPONSIBILITY

sources of ignition.

fuel or cinders, with  
lengthwise sealed  
edge or film upwards

**TM Sales & Marketing, Co**

TELEPHONE: (314) 427-2492

ADDRESS: 3228 Adie Road, St. Louis, MO 63074

You Save

FAST & CONVENIENT

# PACKAGE RESPONSIBILITY

- Conspicuously on label of package

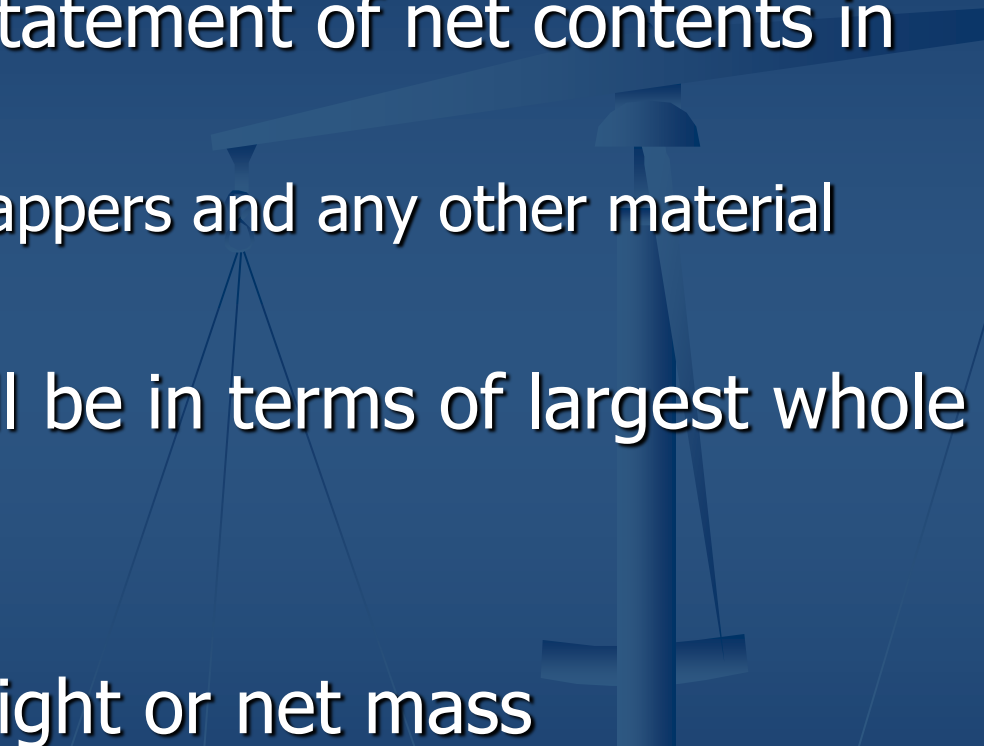
Manufacturer, Packer or Distributor

Name

Address and Zip Code

Only pertains to packages kept, offered or exposed for sale or sold at any place other than on the premises where packed.

# PACKAGE QUANTITY

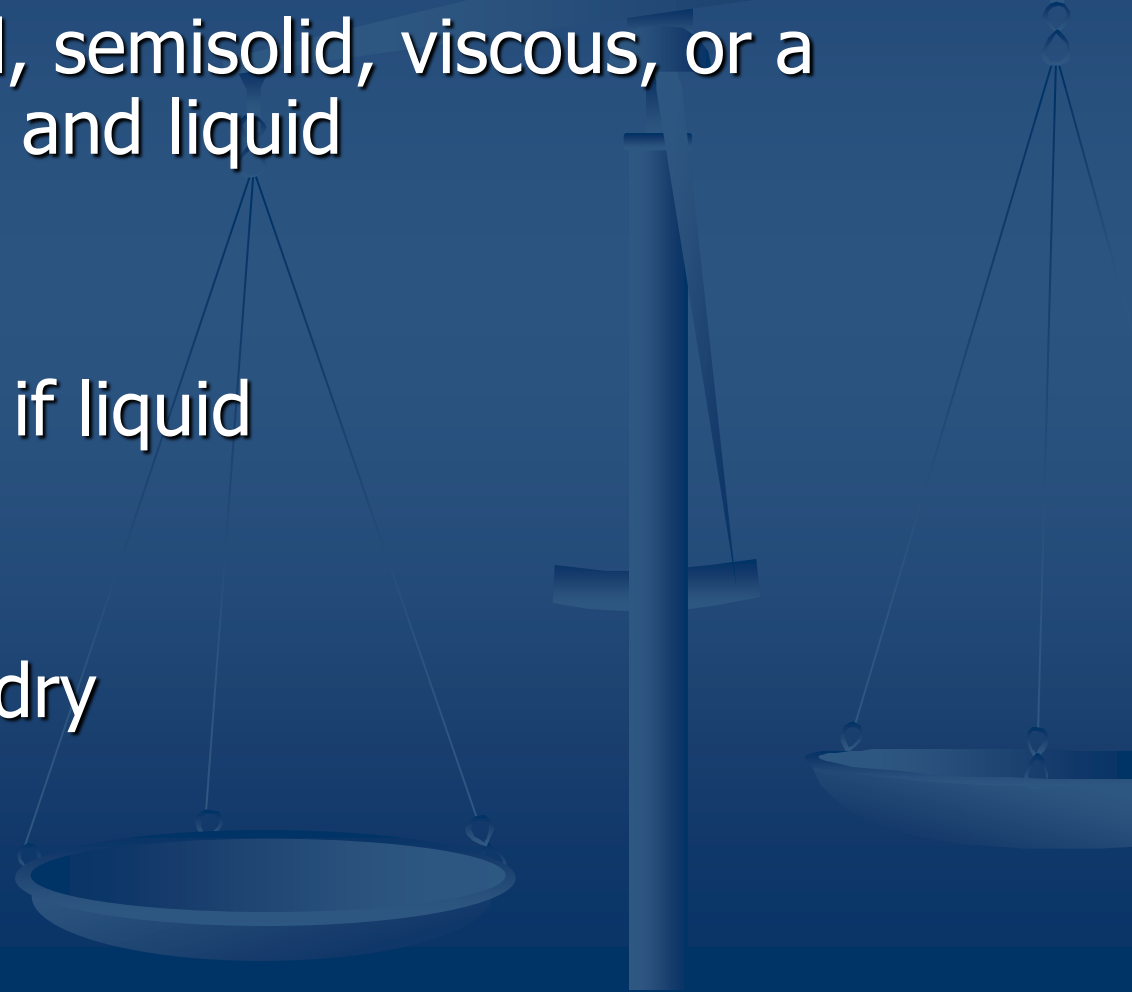
- Declaration or statement of net contents in the package
    - Exclusive of wrappers and any other material
  - Declaration shall be in terms of largest whole unit
  - May use net weight or net mass
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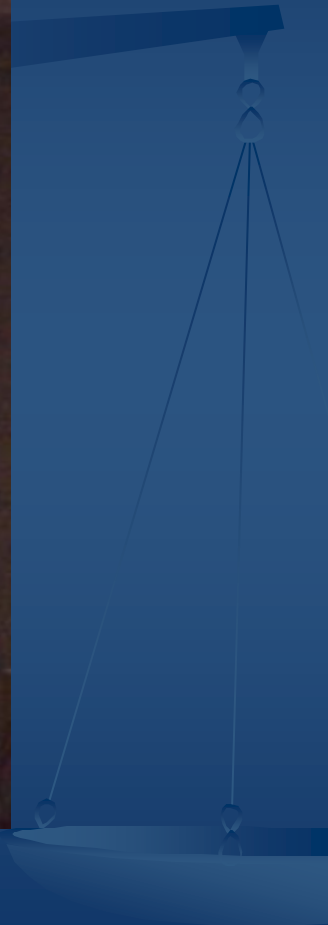
# DECLARATION OF QUANTITY



# PACKAGE QUANTITY

- Declaration shall be expressed in terms of:
  - Weight for solid, semisolid, viscous, or a mixture of solid and liquid
    - OZ, LB
  - Liquid measure if liquid
    - FL OZ, FL PT
  - Dry Measure if dry
    - PT, QT,





# PACKAGE DECLARATIONS

- Terms used to **exaggerate** the amount of commodity in the package
  - “Giant” quart
  - “Larger” liter
  - “Full” gallon
  - When packed
  - Minimum
  - Not less than



NEW

Jack Link's

FULLY COOKED  
GROUND BEEF

LIGHTLY SEASONED



SERVING SUGGESTION

NO PRESERVATIVES  
NO REFRIGERATION NEEDED  
FULLY DRAINED

EQUIVALENT TO 1 LB. FRESH UNCOOKED GROUND BEEF  
NET WT. 10.6 OZ. (300g)



# STANDARD PACKAGE

- ALL PACKAGES CONTAIN SAME AMOUNT ACCORDING TO LABEL (1 LB, 4 OZ)
- ALL PACKAGES ARE UNIFORM



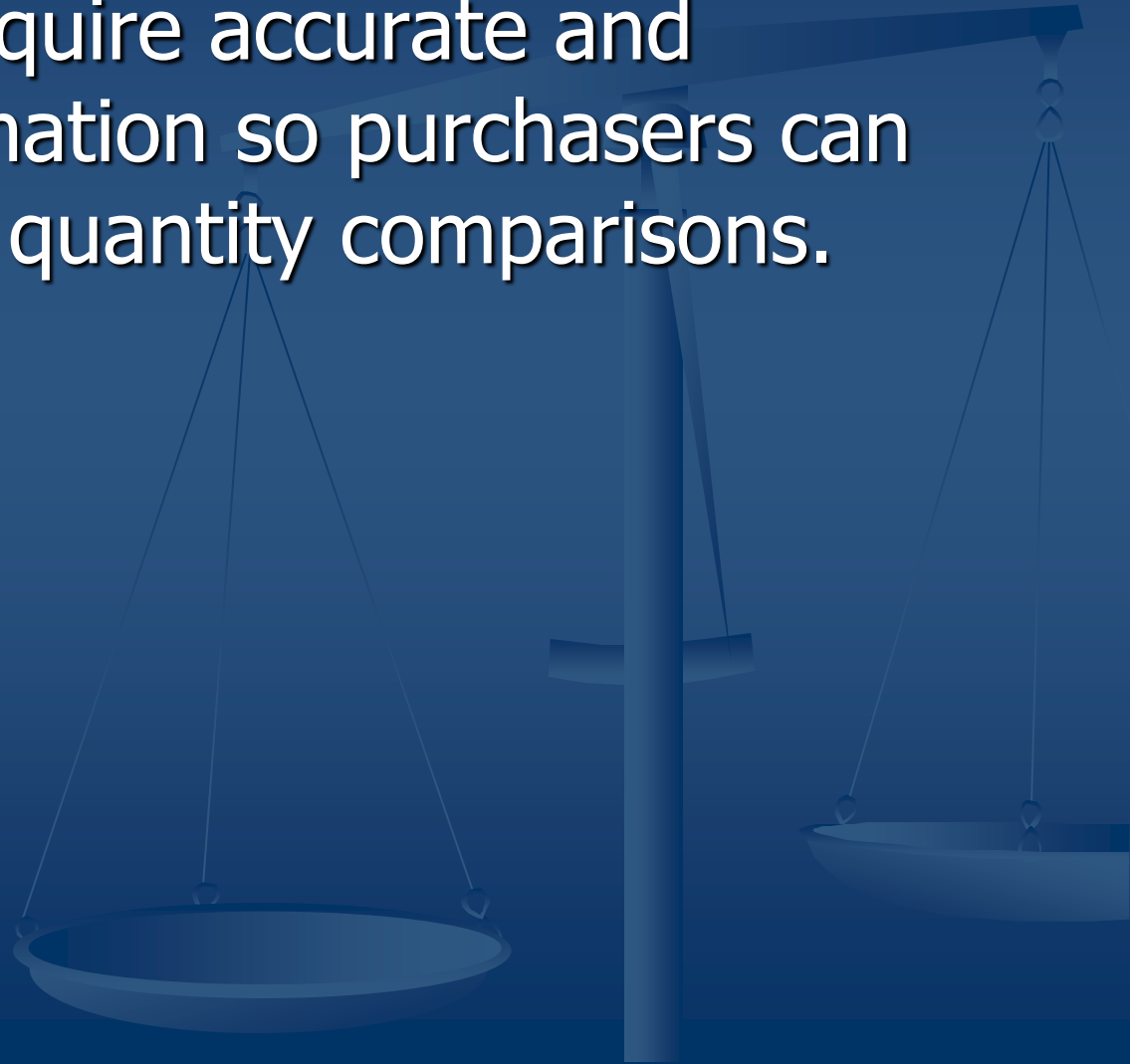
# RANDOM WEIGHT

- Package of same consumer commodity with no fixed pattern of net contents
  - LABEL MUST CONTAIN:
    - NET WEIGHT
    - UNIT PRICE
    - TOTAL PRICE



# METHOD OF SALE

- Purpose is to require accurate and adequate information so purchasers can make price and quantity comparisons.

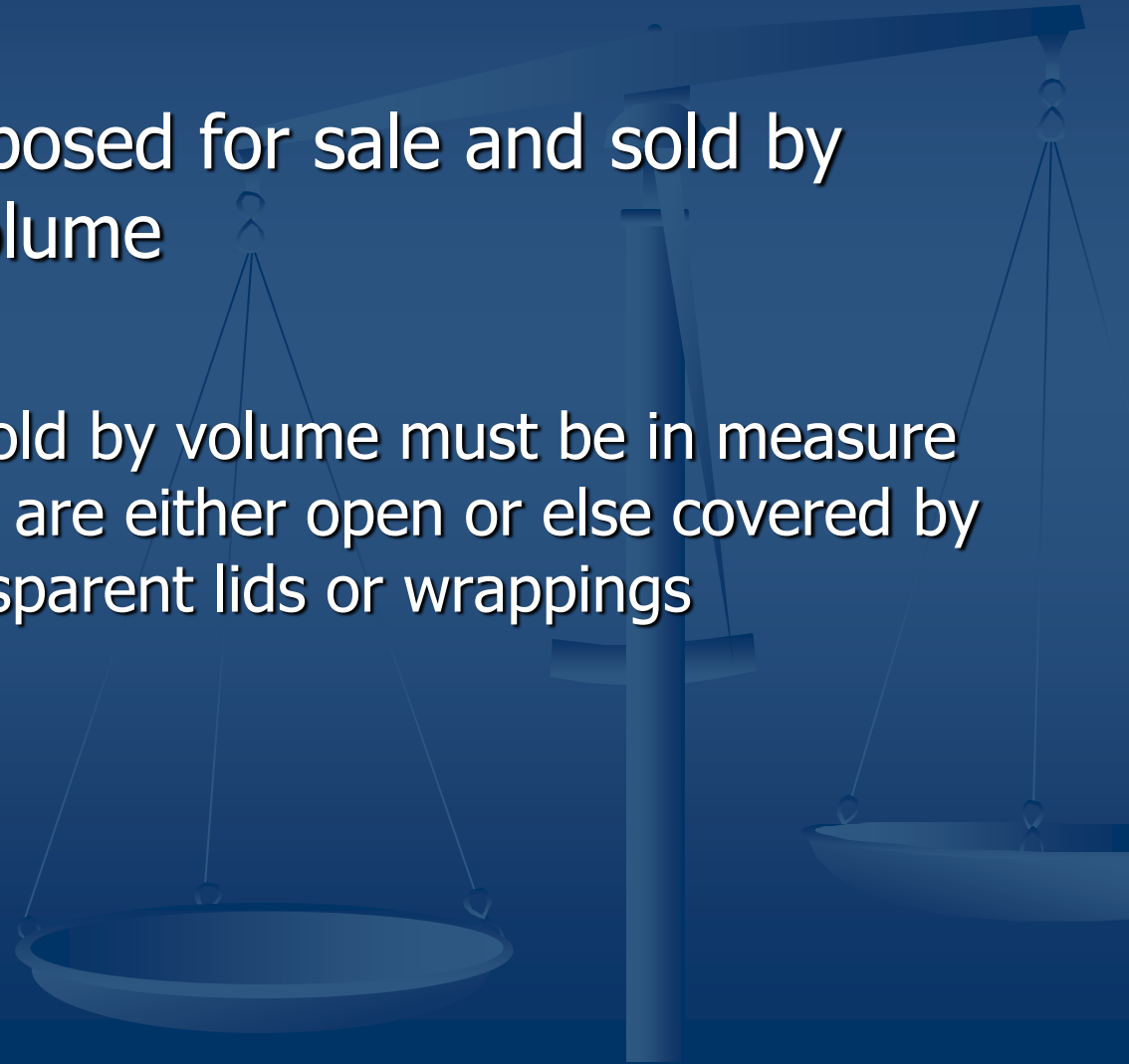


# BERRIES & SMALL FRUITS

- Berries includes all fruit whose name end in the term “berry”.
- Small fruits includes, but is not limited to, cherries, currants, and cherry tomatoes.
  - These commodities must be offered for sale and sold by weight or volume

# BERRIES & SMALL FRUITS

- Method of sale
  - Offered and exposed for sale and sold by weight or by volume
    - Commodities sold by volume must be in measure containers that are either open or else covered by uncolored transparent lids or wrappings





BRITISH COLUMBIA HOT HOUSE

On-the-Vine  
Tomatoes

99¢  
LB.

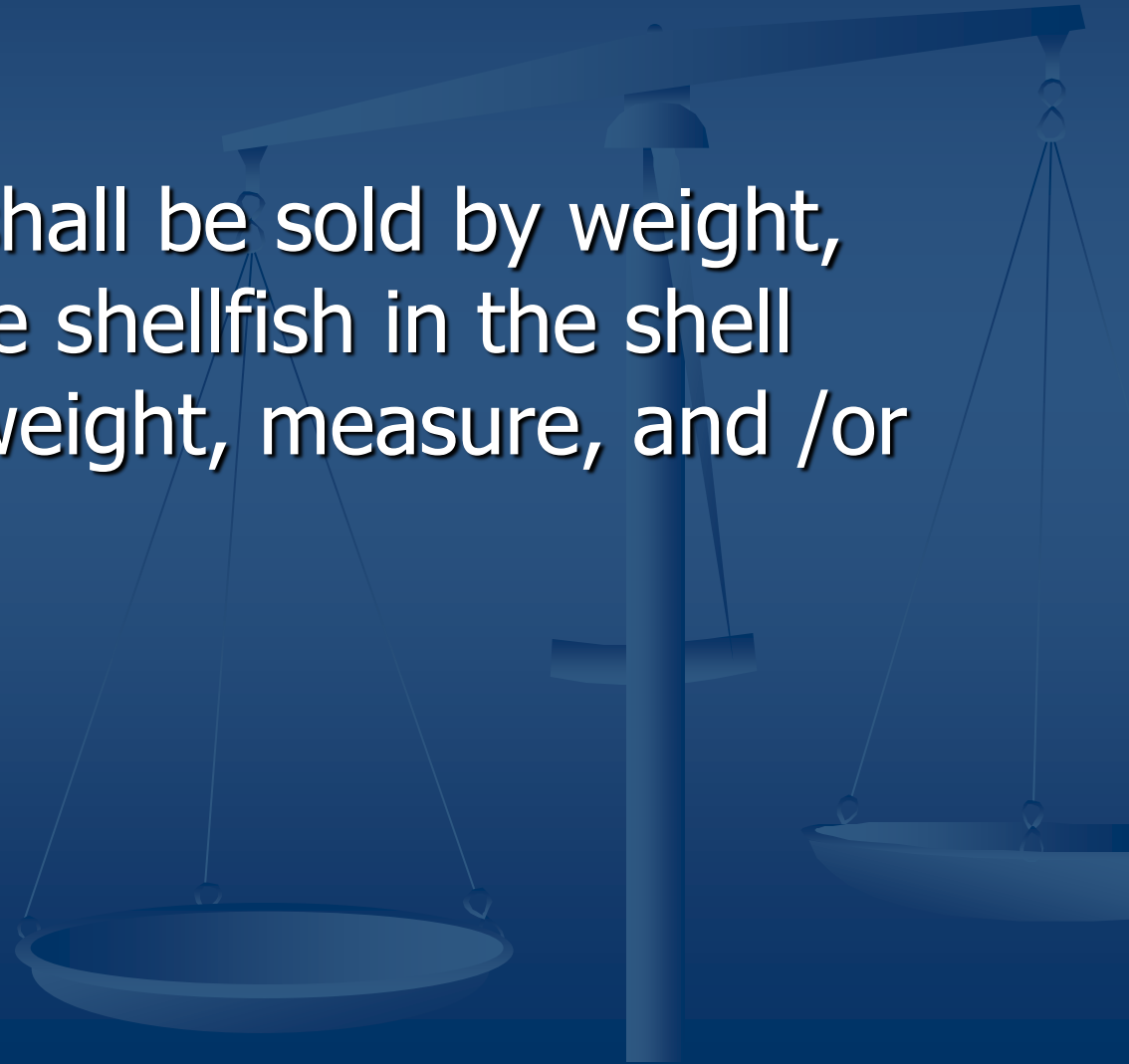
# BREAD

Bread kept, offered, or exposed for sale, whether or not packaged or sliced, shall be sold by weight.



# MEAT, POULTRY, FISH & SEAFOOD

- These products shall be sold by weight, except that whole shellfish in the shell may be sold by weight, measure, and /or count.





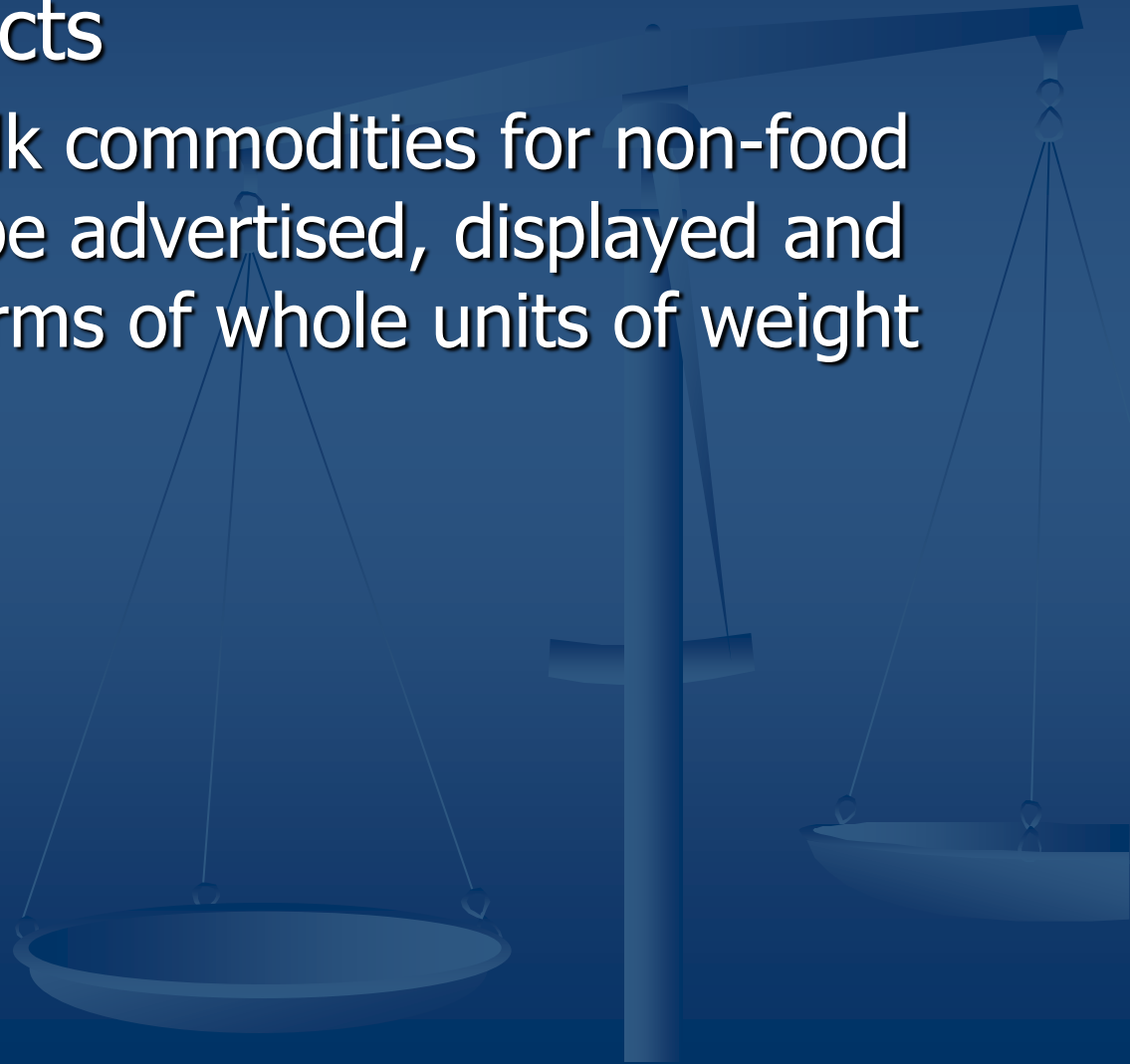
# METHOD OF SALE

- Bulk Food Commodities
    - Price sold from bulk by weight shall be computed in terms of whole units (lb, oz)
    - Price **advertised** from bulk by weight shall be advertised or displayed in terms of whole weight units of pounds only.
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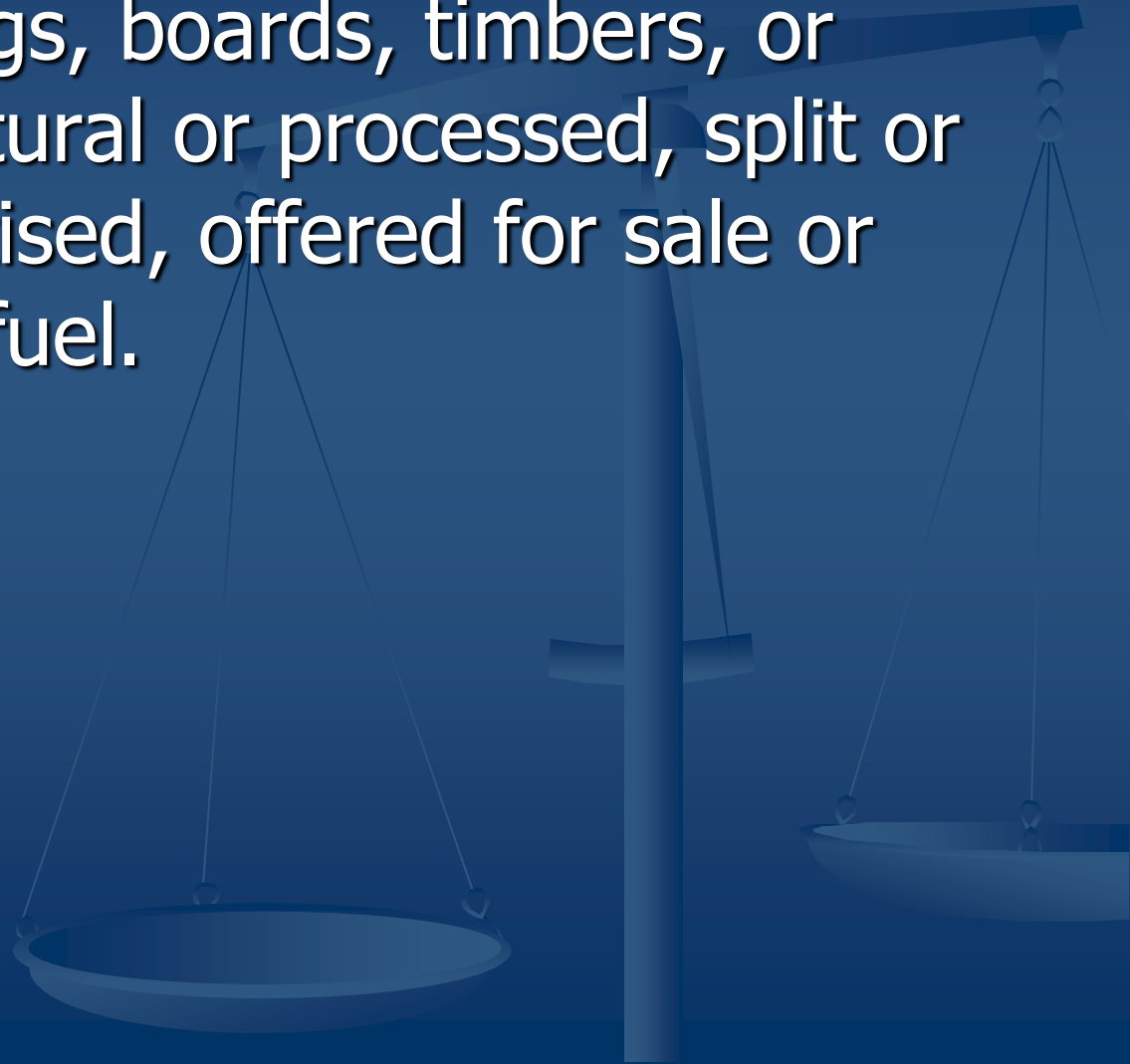
- Non-food Products

- The price of bulk commodities for non-food products shall be advertised, displayed and computed in terms of whole units of weight



# FIREWOOD

- Any kindling, logs, boards, timbers, or other wood, natural or processed, split or not split, advertised, offered for sale or sold for use as fuel.



# FIREWOOD

- Cord is the amount of wood contained in space of 128 cubic feet when wood is ranked and well stowed. (Means pieces of wood are placed in a line or row, with individual pieces touching and parallel to each other, and stacked in a compact manner.)

# FIREWOOD

- Prohibited Terms
  - Face Cord
  - Rack
  - Pile
  - Truckload



# READY TO EAT FOODS

## ■ RESTAURANT STYLE FOOD

- Ready for consumption
- May be sold from bulk or in single servings packed on the premises

Does not include sliced luncheon products, like meat or poultry, or cheese.

