



## National Conference on Weights and Measures

"That Equity May Prevail"

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## NCWM to Celebrate its 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

The <u>National Conference on Weights and Measures</u> (NCWM) is preparing for the <u>100<sup>th</sup> NCWM Annual Meeting</u> to be held July 19-23, 2015 in Philadelphia. This is the organization that is responsible for developing model standards for use by the states in regulating virtually every sale of commodities based on a weight or measurement.

The earliest standards were adopted by NCWM in 1915 to establish specifications and tolerances for the types of devices in use in that time including measuring pumps, milk bottles, berry baskets and various types of mechanical scales. Today, NCWM works with industry and regulators to address sophisticated instruments including dynamic weighing devices, software-based measuring systems, fuel quality standards, grain analyzers, point-of-sale systems, timing devices and procedures for verifying the net contents of virtually any packaged commodity.

This year, NCWM will hold its 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting at the <u>Sheraton Philadelphia Society Hill Hotel</u>. Industry and regulatory officials will once again come together to discuss and vote on amendments to the national weights and measures standards that affect the daily lives of Americans and the livelihood of businesses that depend on a level playing field to conduct business. In addition to those normal annual activities, NCWM will take time to celebrate its historic milestone and recognize the contributions toward its success by the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Measurement Canada, past leaders and retired members. A special recognition will be made to the cities and commonwealth of Massachusetts for having participated at all 100 of the Annual Meetings.

The National Conference on Weights and Measures is a professional nonprofit association of state and local weights and measures officials, manufacturers, retailers and consumers. In 1905, NCWM was formed to develop model standards for uniform enforcement from city to city and state to state. The organization has set the example for bringing the right interests to the table to develop and amend national standards to keep pace with innovative advancements in the marketplace.

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