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1. Background

In terms of Part III of the Regulations measuring instruments/systems for gaseous fuels are not compelled to be verified or type approved, that does not mean that these instruments may not be submitted for type approval and subsequent verification.

6. General exemptions

Subject to any condition prescribed in this regulation, the following measuring instruments or parts thereof, as the case may be, may be used for any appropriate prescribed purpose without the user or supplier being compelled to submit the instrument to type approval in terms of <u>section 18</u> or to comply with the provisions of <u>section 23(1)</u> of the Act:

(f) any meter used for measuring the volume of gas other than a meter for measuring combustible gas supplied to a domestic user who pays according to a tariff based on money value per measured unit of volume for the gas consumed by him;

2. Scope

This policy describes the normative reference(s) to be used when measuring instruments/systems for gaseous fuels are submitted for type approval evaluation and/or subsequent verification.

3. Reference documents

Trade Metrology Act (Act 77 of 1973)
OIML - R137-1-e06 - Gas meters
OIML - R140-e07-Measuring systems for gaseous fuel

4. Policy

- 4.1 The normative reference for type approval evaluation and subsequent verification for measuring systems for gaseous fuels shall be OIML R137-1-e06, Gas meters and OIML - R140-e07-Measuring systems for gaseous fuel, until such time that the national standard for these type of instruments are published.
- 4.2 Instruments that are type approved in terms of the interim recommendations, OIML R137-1-e06, Gas meters and OIML R140-e07- Measuring systems for gaseous fuel, before the OIML Recommendation is replaced by a South African National Standard and that fail to meet the requirements of the new South African National Standard shall be type evaluated for the applicable requirements (clauses) where there is differences.
- 4.3 The normative references for SANAS accreditation as a verification facility in terms of SANS10378 for measuring systems for gaseous fuel shall be as in Clause 4.1