



FARM MARKET SCALES

1. All commercial scales must be “typed approved” for commercial use. The state of California and the Federal Government issue type approvals to scale manufacturers.
2. Before you purchase a scale, make sure to ask the suppliers if it is “typed approved” for commercial use in the state of California. If you have any questions regarding scales, you can contact our office at the number listed below.
3. Before an approved scale is used for commercial use, it is required that the user have the scale inspected and certified by the County’s Weights and Measures Division or a licensed “service agent”. The scale must be inspected yearly thereafter. Call our office to set up an inspection appointment.
4. A scale owner/user is responsible to make sure that their scale(s):
 - a. Are appropriate in design for the commodity being weighed.
 - b. Start on zero before any weighing is done.
 - c. Is level and clean of any obstructing debris.
 - d. Readout is visible to the customer.
 - e. Have batteries that are charged (electric scales).

Check the phone book yellow pages for scale vendors in your area.

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