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WEIGHTS & MEASURES

To: Suffolk County Food Merchants

Things to Remember When Selling Items by Weight

- **Allowance for Tare**—Cold cuts, meats, fish and salads and all other commodities that are sold by weight must be sold by NET WEIGHT only. Net weight is the actual weight of the commodity itself, exclusive of the weight of the wrapping, packaging, container, lid, paper or any other material used to prepare the commodity for sale and weighing.
- **Bulk Price Signs Required**—The prices per pound of all commodities that are sold by weight must be posted in such a manner that the prices are clearly visible to the consumer.
- **Unobstructed Scales**—Scales used for the sale of commodities by weight must be situated on a front counter, between the buyer and the seller, so that the entire weighing operation may be observed by the consumer.

If you have any questions about the above information, please call Weights and Measures at (631) 853-5730.