**Checking the Accuracy of Commercial Scales | Video Script**

Stepping on the scale might be something you do every morning. But have you every stopped to think about how many other times a day you might use a scale? Like filling up a plate at the buffet, buying produce at the farmers’ market or the supermarket, the beans you purchase by the pound to brew your favorite cup of coffee, and the yogurt for dessert. In every instance, the dollar amount paid is based on the weight of the product.

 Weights and measures inspectors check scales for commercial sale. Our inspectors want to be sure the scales are accurate, level, free of debris and the right size for the product being weighed. A clear and accurate display for the consumer to see is also on the checklist. We want to be sure you get what you pay for and know it.

While our inspectors might not check that scale in your bathroom, you can be confident weights and measures inspectors are working to ensure the accuracy of the commercial scales come into contact with.

How do you know if a scale has been inspected? Look for the inspection sticker. If you suspect a scale is inaccurate, call or email your local weights and measures department.

We want consumers to be confident that scales used for commerce are accurate. This is just one way weights and measures touches your life every day.

For more information, contact the National Conference on Weights and Measures at www.ncwm.net or your local weights and measures office.