

SA994376

Solid bronze Half-Bushel
imperial measure for the
Borough of Accrington,
Lancashire, c.1932

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA994376

Date of manufacture: 1930

Dimensions

Height = 19.5 cm (7.7")

Width = 53.5 cm (21.1")

Depth = 53.5 cm (21.1")

Description

A good solid bronze Half-Bushel imperial measure for the Borough of Accrington, Lancashire. Made (and stamped to the base) by De Grave Short & Co Ltd. London and numbered 4457. This polished bronze measure features integral bronze handles with polished rosewood grips. There is no stamped date, however the earliest Customs & Excise stamp on the lower rim is 1932, followed by 1941, 1951 and the latest 1961. Other stamps exist for Queen Elizabeth II; George IV and George V. These measures were until fairly recently (1960's) used by Council officials to randomly inspect and enforce accurate weights and measures in marketplaces across the country. As such these 'Measures' were in turn inspected by Customs and Excise and checked for accuracy every 10 years, approval resulted in the date stamps around the lower rim. Diameter (incl handles): 21 inches (53.5cm). Height: 7.75 inches (19.5cm) Date: c.1932

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