

The key points from the OIML norm R111:2004

OIML (Organisation Internationale de Metrologie Legale) has established the exact metrological requirements for weights in verified applications in approx. 100 states all over the world. The OIML recommendation R111 (2004 Edition) for weights relates to sizes 1 mg – 5000 kg. Statements are made on the accuracy, materials, geometric shape, marking and storage of the weights.

Error limits for weights of classes E1 to M3

The error limit classes are in fixed hierarchical levels in the proportion of 1:3, where E1 is the most accurate and M3 is the least accurate weight class. When testing weights with other weights, the correct test class is the next highest class.

Error limit classes (= tolerances)

The values given in the table below (tolerances ± ... mg) are the respective permitted fabrication tolerances. They are to be equal to the ► **measuring uncertainty** of the weight, if no ► **DAkkS calibration certificate** is available.

Conventional mass

The problem is the air buoyancy, which makes the weight appear lighter. In order to avoid this “distortion” in daily use, all weights are adjusted to the unit specifications as given in R111, e.g. it is accepted that: material density of the weights is 8000 kg/m³, air density is 1.2 kg/m³ and measuring temperature is 20 °C.

KERN test weights: Unless otherwise specified, they conform to OIML R111:2004 in every detail.

► *See the glossary, page 223–225*

Nominal value ↓	OIML R111:2004 Maximum permissible errors for weights = permissible tolerances “Tol ± mg”						
	E1	E2	F1	F2	M1	M2	M3
1 mg	± 0,003 mg	± 0,006 mg	± 0,020 mg	± 0,06 mg	± 0,20 mg	-	-
2 mg	± 0,003 mg	± 0,006 mg	± 0,020 mg	± 0,06 mg	± 0,20 mg	-	-
5 mg	± 0,003 mg	± 0,006 mg	± 0,020 mg	± 0,06 mg	± 0,20 mg	-	-
10 mg	± 0,003 mg	± 0,008 mg	± 0,025 mg	± 0,08 mg	± 0,25 mg	-	-
20 mg	± 0,003 mg	± 0,010 mg	± 0,03 mg	± 0,10 mg	± 0,3 mg	-	-
50 mg	± 0,004 mg	± 0,012 mg	± 0,04 mg	± 0,12 mg	± 0,4 mg	-	-
100 mg	± 0,005 mg	± 0,016 mg	± 0,05 mg	± 0,16 mg	± 0,5 mg	± 1,6 mg	-
200 mg	± 0,006 mg	± 0,020 mg	± 0,06 mg	± 0,20 mg	± 0,6 mg	± 2,0 mg	-
500 mg	± 0,008 mg	± 0,025 mg	± 0,08 mg	± 0,25 mg	± 0,8 mg	± 2,5 mg	-
1 g	± 0,010 mg	± 0,03 mg	± 0,10 mg	± 0,3 mg	± 1,0 mg	± 3,0 mg	± 10 mg
2 g	± 0,012 mg	± 0,04 mg	± 0,12 mg	± 0,4 mg	± 1,2 mg	± 4,0 mg	± 12 mg
5 g	± 0,016 mg	± 0,05 mg	± 0,16 mg	± 0,5 mg	± 1,6 mg	± 5,0 mg	± 16 mg
10 g	± 0,020 mg	± 0,06 mg	± 0,20 mg	± 0,6 mg	± 2,0 mg	± 6,0 mg	± 20 mg
20 g	± 0,025 mg	± 0,08 mg	± 0,25 mg	± 0,8 mg	± 2,5 mg	± 8,0 mg	± 25 mg
50 g	± 0,03 mg	± 0,10 mg	± 0,3 mg	± 1,0 mg	± 3,0 mg	± 10 mg	± 30 mg
100 g	± 0,05 mg	± 0,16 mg	± 0,5 mg	± 1,6 mg	± 5,0 mg	± 16 mg	± 50 mg
200 g	± 0,10 mg	± 0,3 mg	± 1,0 mg	± 3,0 mg	± 10 mg	± 30 mg	± 100 mg
500 g	± 0,25 mg	± 0,8 mg	± 2,5 mg	± 8,0 mg	± 25 mg	± 80 mg	± 250 mg
1 kg	± 0,5 mg	± 1,6 mg	± 5,0 mg	± 16 mg	± 50 mg	± 160 mg	± 500 mg
2 kg	± 1,0 mg	± 3,0 mg	± 10 mg	± 30 mg	± 100 mg	± 300 mg	± 1 000 mg
5 kg	± 2,5 mg	± 8,0 mg	± 25 mg	± 80 mg	± 250 mg	± 800 mg	± 2 500 mg
10 kg	± 5,0 mg	± 16 mg	± 50 mg	± 160 mg	± 500 mg	± 1 600 mg	± 5 000 mg
20 kg	± 10 mg	± 30 mg	± 100 mg	± 300 mg	± 1 000 mg	± 3 000 mg	± 10 g
50 kg	± 25 mg	± 80 mg	± 250 mg	± 800 mg	± 2 500 mg	± 8 000 mg	± 25 g
100 kg	-	± 160 mg	± 500 mg	± 1 600 mg	± 5 000 mg	± 16 g	± 50 g
200 kg	-	± 300 mg	± 1 000 mg	± 3 000 mg	± 10 g	± 30 g	± 100 g
500 kg	-	± 800 mg	± 2 500 mg	± 8 000 mg	± 25 g	± 80 g	± 250 g
1 000 kg	-	± 1 600 mg	± 5 000 mg	± 16 g	± 50 g	± 160 g	± 500 g
2 000 kg	-	-	± 10 g	± 30 g	± 100 g	± 300 g	± 1 000 g
5 000 kg	-	-	± 25 g	± 80 g	± 250 g	± 800 g	± 2 500 g