1078-11-283John J Webb\* (webbjj@wfu.edu), Wake Forest University, Department of Mathematics, PO Box7388, Winston-Salem, NC 27109.  $\ell$ -adic properties of  $\ell$ -regular partitions. Preliminary report.

For a positive integer n, we call a non-increasing sequence of positive numbers whose sum is n a partition of n. If none of the parts of a partition is divisible by an integer k, we say the partition is k-regular. Let  $\ell \geq 5$  be prime. We adapt the recent techniques developed by Folsom-Kent-Ono to study congruences for  $\ell$ -regular partitions modulo powers of  $\ell$ . In particular we prove analogues of the famed Ramanujan congruences when  $\ell \in \{5, 7, 11\}$ . (Received December 12, 2011)