

BIS CERTIFICATION

The *BIS* in *BIS Certification* stands for *Bureau of Indian Standards*. The establishment of a national standards body in India is based on the Bureau of Indian Standards Act established in 2016.

The aims of the BIS Act include harmonious development of the activities of standardization, conformity assessment and quality assurance of goods, articles, processes, systems, and services. The responsible authority is the Bureau of Indian Standards

BIS certification is required by every manufacturer (Indian or foreign) of those who is manufacturing products under Compulsory Certification. Product certification includes two schemes, that is, **Product Certification Schemes: Scheme 1** - Indian Standards Institution (**ISI**) and **Scheme 2** - Compulsory registration scheme (**CRS**). The list of products that requires BIS certification is constantly being extended. See our summary on BIS Mandatory Product list: for Scheme I and Scheme II.

For non-Indian manufacturers to comply with BIS certification, **Authorized Indian Representative (AIR)** can be appointed to assist the application process, including:

1. Documentation and application submission
2. Factory inspection by Indian auditor
3. Provision of test samples by the AIR and execution of the tests
4. Marking and labelling of products with the standard or ISI marks for BIS certification

BIS CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE

Scheme 1 - ISI

- Fill-up the Prescribed Application Form along with necessary documentation
- Nominate an Authorized Indian Representative (AIR) using prescribed Nomination Form.
- Ensure that application is complete.
- Submit duly filled-in and complete application along with required fee, documentation (in duplicate) and Nomination Form of AIR at FMCD, BIS Headquarters, New Delhi
- ISI is Licensing Scheme, therefore after acceptance of the submitted documents date for factory audit will be given and after successful completion of factory audit License number will be allocated.

BIS SCHEMES

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- **Scheme 1** which is also known as Indian Standards Institution (ISI) scheme is a Licensing Scheme. In this scheme factory audit is required. Scheme 1 applies to a wide variety of Electronics & IT products notified by MeitY including electrical household products, chemicals, Steel, glass, Cements, etc. It is a quality and safety assurance certification.
- **Scheme 2** which is also known as Compulsory registration scheme (CRS) is a self-conformity scheme. This means that factory audit is not required, and it only applies to electronics and IT products. It is a safety certification for products coming to Indian market. Manufacturers of the products listed on Scheme 2 should apply for registration from Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) after getting their product tested from BIS recognized labs. After registration, manufacturers are then allowed to put the Standard Mark on their products. The CRS is operated based on [BIS \(Conformity Assessment\) Regulations, 2018](#).

Scheme 2 – CRS

- Create BIS login for Factory.
- Submit test request to desired lab.
- Get the product tested.
- Prepare BIS documents.
- Submit the application in BIS along with required Fee.
- Wait for the registration certificate to be Granted.

BIS CERTIFICATION FEES

Scheme 1 - ISI

- Application fee (non-refundable): 1000/- INR
- Special visit charges: 7000/- per man day
- Testing charges: as applicable
- Annual licence Fee: 1000/- INR
- Renewal application fee (non-refundable) 1000/-
- Marking fee: as applicable
- Inclusion: 5000/- INR

Scheme 2 – CRS

- Grant: 62540 per test report
- Inclusion: 35400 per test report
- Renewal: Variable based on number of years between 2 to 5 for which Renewal is applied.

ACTION POINTS

1. Manufacturers and importers to check for the list of chemicals within the mandatory certification list of BIS.
2. Obtain/ procure the upgraded BIS standards
3. Make a submission to BIS to comply with the applicable standards.
4. Foreign Manufacturers appoint an Indian representative.
5. Manufacturer to prepare themselves and be ready to face a factory audit.
6. In-house preparedness with all technical dossiers as required for a successful submission.
7. GPC services for BIS cover a complete package including hand holding to obtain the BIS certificate and its renewal.



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