

# BIS Update: Mandatory Registration of Additional Iron and Steel Products

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## Background

The Government of India has recently notified proposed Quality Control Orders for certain Iron and Steel products at the World Trade Organization's Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade.

Upon their adoption such Quality Control Orders will require these products to meet the specifications contained in the standards formulated by the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), India's National Standardization Body, before they may be imported into India.

Please find attached the Quality Control Orders for your reference.

## Key Takeaways/Products concerned

The following chemical products have been proposed for compulsory certification with the BIS:

Product	Proposed date of adoption	Final Date for Comments
Electrogalvanized Hot Rolled and Cold Reduced Carbon Steel Sheets and Strips	To be announced	30 August 2020
Stress Relieved, Low Relaxation Steel Wire for Prestressed Concrete	To be announced	26 July 2020
Stock for Forgings produced from Continuously Cast Blooms, Billets and Slabs	To be announced	26 July 2020
Thermostat Metal Sheet and Strip	To be announced	26 July 2020
Flame and Induction Hardening Steel	To be announced	26 July 2020
Cold-Reduced Black plate in Coil Form for the Production of Tin Plate or Electrolytic Chromium/ Chromium Oxide - Coated Steel	To be announced	26 July 2020
Carbon and Low Alloy Billets, Blooms, Slabs And Bars for Manufacture Of Shell Bodies And Proof Shots Used in Defence Services	To be announced	26 July 2020
Tool Steel Forgings for Metal Forming	To be announced	26 July 2020
Quenched and Tempered Alloy Steel Forgings for Pressure Vessels	To be announced	26 July 2020
Forged/Rolled CTC Segments	To be announced	26 July 2020

	Steels for Die Blocks for Drop Forging	To be announced	26 July 2020
	Case Hardening Steels	To be announced	26 July 2020
	Carbon and Carbon Manganese Free Cutting Steels	To be announced	26 July 2020
	Mould Steels	To be announced	26 July 2020
	Structural Steel	To be announced	26 July 2020
	Hot-Dip Terne Coated Carbon Steel Sheets	To be announced	26 July 2020
	Trapezoidal Steel Wire for Springs Washers	To be announced	26 July 2020
	Mild Steel Wire for Cottar Pins	To be announced	26 July 2020
	ColdReduced and Hot-Rolled Carbon Steel Sheet for Porcelain Enamelling	To be announced	26 July 2020
	Hot Rolled Steel Plates, Sheets and Strips for Manufacture of Agricultural Tillage Discs	To be announced	26 July 2020
	Steel Plates for Galvanizing Pots	To be announced	26 July 2020
	Steel Wire for Reeds	To be announced	26 July 2020
	Heald Wire	To be announced	26 July 2020
	Steel Wire for Nipples for Spokes	To be announced	26 July 2020
	Half Round Mild Steel Wire for The Manufacture of Split Pins	To be announced	26 July 2020
	Tinned Steel Wire for Banding of Armatures And Rotors	To be announced	26 July 2020
	Steel for Spring Washers	To be announced	26 July 2020
<b>Concerned Authorities</b>	<p>Interested stakeholders and WTO Members are invited to provide their comments on these proposed Orders within the timeframes set out above. The relevant authorities that have been designated to receive such comments are:</p> <p><b>1. For issues pertaining to the Quality Control Orders</b>  Smt. Rasika Chaube  Additional Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Steel,  Udyog Bhawan, Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi – 110 011  Tel: +91-11-23061824,  FAX: +91-11-23063170  E-mail: <a href="mailto:rasikachaube@nic.in">rasikachaube@nic.in</a>.</p> <p><b>2. For issues pertaining to Indian Standards and Conformity Assessment Procedures</b>  Mr. H J S Pasricha  Scientist – F &amp; Head (Certification)  Central Marks - I , Manak Bhawan  Bureau of Indian Standards  9, B.S. Zafar Marg,  New Delhi - 110002</p>		

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<p><b>Important to note the timelines for implementation</b></p>	<p>The provisions of these Quality Control Orders with respect to the above products shall come into force <b>six months</b> from their date of notification in the Indian Gazette. The date of such notification however, remains undecided.</p> <p>Once these come into force, both foreign producers and domestic manufacturers of these products would need to submit an application to the BIS seeking certification. Furthermore, the process of certification will also require physical testing and inspection of the relevant products at the factory premises as well as parallel testing by a BIS authorized laboratory in India to verify the same. Certification may be granted for a period of up to two years initially, after which it must be renewed.</p> <p>As per the notifications, WTO Members are invited to make comments, if any, within 60 days of issuance of the notifications. Concerned manufacturers of the products mentioned above may, therefore, raise their concerns at the WTO level through their respective governments or with the abovementioned authorities within such time frames.</p>

For any queries or comments on this update, please feel free to contact us at [insights@elp-in.com](mailto:insights@elp-in.com)

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