

BIS Update: Mandatory Certification for Additional Chemical Products

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Dear Reader

We are writing to you with an important update regarding mandatory registration requirements applicable to imports of certain **Chemicals** into India.

Background	The Government of India has on September 23, 2021 published Quality Control Orders for additional chemical products. Producers of these products will now have additional time to obtain BIS certification of their products. The relevant Orders are available here .		
Products concerned	Quality Control Orders for the following chemicals have been notified:		
	Product	Date of Entry into force	
	Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene (ABS)	March 22, 2022	
	Ethylene Dichloride	March 22, 2022	
	P-Xylene	March 22, 2022	
	Polycarbonate	March 22, 2022	
	Polyurethanes	March 22, 2022	
	Vinyl Chloride Monomer	March 22, 2022	
Next Steps	As per the notifications, producers of these chemicals will now have additional time to secure BIS certification before these Orders come into force. Once these Orders come into force, both domestic and foreign manufacturers of these products will only be able to export/sell in India with a valid BIS license in place.		
	To obtain such license, 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 chemicals 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.		
	BIS certification is a time consuming process and therefore it is recommended that interested producers make applications for certification at the earliest in cases wherein Quality Control Orders have been issued and are pending enforcement.		

We trust you will find this an interesting read. For any queries or comments on this update, please feel free to contact us at insights@elp-in.com.

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