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DRAFT QUALITY CONTROL ORDER NOTIFIED AT THE WTO¹

Before their enforcement by respective ministries, Quality Control Orders have been formally presented to the World Trade Organization ("WTO") Technical Barriers to Trade Committee ("TBT") for its input and comments within 60 days from their respective notification dates. Given below is the list of Quality Control Orders ("QCO") issued during the month of August 2023:

- Safes, Safe Deposit Locker Cabinets and Key Locks (Quality Control) Order, 2023
- Hinges (Quality Control) Order, 2023
- Laboratory Glassware (Quality Control) Order, 2023
- Polypropylene (PP) Materials for Moulding and Extrusion (Quality Control) Order, 2023
- Poly Vinyl Chloride (PVC) Homopolymers (Quality Control) Order, 2023
- Sports Goods (Quality Control) Order, 2023
- Legal Metrology – Material measures of length (Quality Control) Order, 2023
- Title – Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 (Tenth Amendment) 2023.
- Electrical Accessories (Quality Control) Order, 2023



ELP Comments

It would be an opportunity for Companies manufacturing/trading in the products to provide comments on the relevant QCO at the WTO TBT Committee through their respective ministry lines.

ALL INDIA FIRST LICENSE²

The issuance of the All India First License for the respective Indian standard not only paves the way for other applicants to follow the established procedures but also serves as a clear indicator of the department's proactive approach in granting licenses to eligible applicants.

Product Name	Licensee
Textiles	
<i>Medical Textiles - Barrier Face Covering</i>	<i>M/s Venus Safety & Health Pvt. Ltd.</i>
<i>Geo-Synthetics - Geo-Textiles Used as Protection (or Cushioning) Materials</i>	<i>M/s Techfab (India) Industries Limited</i>
<i>Geosynthetics – Geotextiles used in Subsurface Drainage Application – Specification</i>	<i>M/s Techfab (India) Industries Limited</i>
<i>Agro-Textiles Hail Protection Nets for Agriculture and Horticulture Purposes Specification Part 1 Warp Knitted Hail Protection Nets</i>	<i>M/s Shakti Polyweave Private Limited Unit IV 100% EOU</i>
<i>Agro Textiles- Hail Protection Nets for Agriculture and Horticulture Purposes - Specification Part 2 Woven Hail Protection Nets</i>	<i>M/s Shakti Polyweave Private Limited Unit IV 100% EOU</i>
Appliances & Equipment	
<i>General Purpose Glass Thermometers: Part 1 Solid Stem Thermometers</i>	<i>M/s Omsons Glassware Private Limited</i>
<i>Air-Screen Seed Cleaner</i>	<i>M/s Prince Dhandiwalia Agri Works</i>
<i>Equipment for Manufacture of Fortified Rice Kernel - Specification</i>	<i>M/s Growmax International</i>
<i>Laboratory Glassware - Test tubes</i>	<i>M/s Omsons Glassware Private Limited</i>
Chemicals and Petrochemicals	

¹ [Search notifications - ePing SPS&TBT platform \(wto.org\)](#)

² [Whats New - Bureau of Indian Standards \(bis.gov.in\)](#)

Caustic Potash	M/s UNID Co. Ltd. - Korea
Polyurethane Soles Semirigid	M/s Liberty Shoes Ltd.
Methyl Acrylate - Specification	M/s Formosa Plastics Corporation - Taiwan
Cables	
Electric Cables for Photovoltaic systems for Rated Voltage 1500 V dc	M/s UKB Electronics Private Limited
Footwear	
Sandal and Slippers	M/s Bata India Limited
Glassware	
Laboratory Glassware - Boiling Flasks: Part 2 Boiling Flasks with Conical Ground Joints	M/s Omsons Glassware Private Limited
Metals	
Potable Water Bottles (Copper, Stainless Steel, Aluminium)	M/s Butterfly Gandhimathi Appliances Ltd



ELP Comments

Entities currently involved with these specific products should proactively prepare and submit applications to the FMCS for securing their license. This strategic move will grant them a distinct competitive advantage over counterparts lacking the certification mark.

OTHER UPDATES

- Extension of date of implementation of revised IS 14885 : 2022 – ‘Polyethylene Pipes for the Supply of Gaseous Fuels.
- Guidance on steps to be followed for grant of licence under scheme – X for new applicants.
- Extension of date of implementation of Amendment No.1 to IS 16415:2015 – ‘Composite Cement’.



ELP Comments

The entities dealing with the concerned products now should assess the implications of the changes due to the above notifications.

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