




# BIS Update: Mandatory Certification Requirements for Steel and Steel Products

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Dear Reader,

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

<b>Background</b>	The Government of India has on 5 <sup>th</sup> February 5, 2024, notified the Steel and Steel Products (Quality Control) Order, 2024. This order expands the scope of the existing Steel and Steel Products (Quality Control) Order, 2020 by adding additional products. The relevant link is available <a href="#">here</a> .																					
<b>Products concerned</b>	<p>The additional products included in the order are:</p> <table border="1"><thead><tr><th>Product</th><th>Standard</th><th>Date of Entry into force</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Galvanized Structural Steel – Specification</td><td>IS 16732:2019</td><td>August 5, 2024</td></tr><tr><td>Heat-Treated Steels Alloy and Free-Cutting Steels — Ball and Roller Bearing Steels.</td><td>IS 17111: 2019 (ISO 683- 17: 2014)</td><td>May 5, 2024</td></tr><tr><td>Hot-dip Zinc Coating on Structural Steel Bars for Concrete Reinforcement – Specification.</td><td>IS 12594:1988</td><td>August 5, 2024</td></tr><tr><td>Ferrochromium - Specification</td><td>IS 1170:1992</td><td>August 5, 2024</td></tr><tr><td>Ferromanganese – Specification</td><td>IS 1171:2011</td><td>August 5, 2024</td></tr><tr><td>Silicomanganese – Specification</td><td>IS 1470:2013</td><td>August 5, 2024</td></tr></tbody></table> <p> <a href="#">For a master list of all products under mandatory BIS certification, please click here.</a></p>	Product	Standard	Date of Entry into force	Galvanized Structural Steel – Specification	IS 16732:2019	August 5, 2024	Heat-Treated Steels Alloy and Free-Cutting Steels — Ball and Roller Bearing Steels.	IS 17111: 2019 (ISO 683- 17: 2014)	May 5, 2024	Hot-dip Zinc Coating on Structural Steel Bars for Concrete Reinforcement – Specification.	IS 12594:1988	August 5, 2024	Ferrochromium - Specification	IS 1170:1992	August 5, 2024	Ferromanganese – Specification	IS 1171:2011	August 5, 2024	Silicomanganese – Specification	IS 1470:2013	August 5, 2024
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<b>Next Steps</b>	<p>As per the notifications, producers of these products will now have 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.</p> <p>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 product at the factory premises as well as parallel testing by a BIS authorized laboratory in India to verify the same. 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.</p>																					

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