

BIS ISI MARK CERTIFICATION GUIDE

A Professional Reference Guide for Manufacturers and Businesses in India

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This guide provides a general overview of BIS product certification and the ISI Mark certification journey. Applicable requirements can vary by product, Indian Standard, certification scheme and current BIS or Government requirements. Always verify the latest applicable requirements before proceeding.

Prepared for client awareness and professional consultancy reference

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1. Understanding BIS and the ISI Mark

The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) is India's national standards body. BIS operates product certification schemes for products covered by applicable standards and certification requirements. The ISI Mark is associated with BIS certification for applicable products that conform to the relevant Indian Standard and meet the applicable certification requirements.

The exact route to certification depends on the product, applicable Indian Standard, manufacturing arrangements, testing requirements and the certification scheme or regulatory framework that applies at the time of application.

2. When BIS ISI Mark Certification May Apply

BIS certification is not automatically mandatory for every product. Mandatory certification requirements may arise where a product is covered by a relevant Quality Control Order (QCO), regulation, notification or other applicable government requirement. Voluntary certification may also be available for certain products under applicable BIS schemes.

Before beginning an application, businesses should confirm the exact product category, applicable Indian Standard, certification scheme, scope of the product and any current mandatory requirements.

3. Benefits of Product Certification

Area	Potential Value
Conformity	Demonstrates conformity with applicable Indian Standards under the relevant BIS certification framework.

Market Access	May support access to markets where BIS certification is mandatory or commercially expected.
Customer Confidence	Can provide confidence that certified products meet applicable conformity requirements.
Compliance	Helps businesses address applicable regulatory and certification obligations.

4. Typical Certification Journey

Step 1 — Product Assessment

Identify the product, applicable Indian Standard and relevant certification requirements.

Step 2 — Documentation

Compile business, factory, technical and quality-control information required for the applicable process.

Step 3 — Testing

Arrange applicable product testing through the appropriate laboratory or testing route.

Step 4 — Application

Prepare and submit the certification application and supporting information through the applicable BIS process.

Step 5 — Factory Assessment

Prepare for applicable inspection or assessment of manufacturing and quality-control arrangements.

Step 6 — Grant of Licence

Complete applicable requirements leading to certification or licence grant, subject to BIS assessment and approval.

5. Documents and Information Commonly Required

The exact documentation depends on the product and applicable certification scheme. Common categories may include:

- Company or firm registration information.
- Manufacturing unit address and factory details.
- PAN, GST and other business information where applicable.
- Authorized signatory details.
- Product technical specifications and drawings.
- Manufacturing process information.
- List of manufacturing machinery and equipment.
- Quality-control and testing arrangements.
- Details of raw materials and components, where applicable.
- Relevant test reports and technical records.
- Trademark or brand information, where applicable.

6. Product Testing and Laboratory Coordination

Testing requirements depend on the applicable Indian Standard and certification scheme. Product samples may need to be tested for specified characteristics and performance parameters. The testing route, laboratory eligibility

and required test scope should be confirmed against the current BIS requirements applicable to the product.

A consultancy can assist with coordinating the documentation and testing workflow, but laboratory testing results and technical conformity remain subject to the applicable standard and laboratory/BIS assessment.

7. Factory Inspection and Compliance Preparation

Where an inspection or factory assessment is applicable, the manufacturer should be prepared to demonstrate suitable manufacturing controls, quality-control arrangements, testing facilities or access to required testing resources, and records relevant to the applicable standard.

Preparation should be based on the current requirements applicable to the product. Businesses should maintain accurate records and ensure that actual manufacturing and quality-control practices are consistent with the information submitted during the certification process.

8. BIS Application and Certification Support

The application stage generally involves submitting the required information and documents through the applicable BIS process. The application may be subject to scrutiny, clarification, testing, inspection or other assessment steps depending on the certification route.

Equal Consultancy Services can provide professional coordination and documentation assistance throughout the process. The final decision to grant, renew, modify, suspend or otherwise manage a BIS certification remains with BIS under the applicable rules and procedures.

9. Post-Certification Responsibilities

- Maintain conformity with the applicable Indian Standard.
- Follow applicable licence conditions and certification requirements.
- Maintain required quality-control and testing records.
- Use the ISI Mark only in the manner permitted under applicable requirements.
- Complete applicable surveillance, renewal or ongoing compliance activities.
- Inform BIS where required about relevant changes affecting certification.

10. Role of Equal Consultancy Services

Equal Consultancy Services provides professional consultancy and coordination support for businesses seeking assistance with BIS ISI Mark Certification. Depending on the product and applicable requirements, support may include:

- Initial product and certification requirement assessment.
- Documentation and application preparation support.
- Coordination for applicable testing requirements.
- Guidance for factory inspection preparation.
- Support in responding to process-related clarifications.
- Coordination through applicable certification stages.
- General post-certification compliance guidance.

11. Frequently Asked Questions

Is BIS ISI Mark Certification mandatory for every product?

No. Mandatory certification depends on the specific product and applicable government notifications, Quality Control Orders, regulations and BIS requirements. The current requirements should be checked for the exact product.

Does every product require testing?

Testing requirements depend on the applicable Indian Standard and certification scheme. The required test scope and route should be confirmed for the specific product.

Can a consultant guarantee BIS certification?

No responsible consultant can guarantee approval. Certification decisions are made by BIS based on applicable requirements, technical conformity, testing and assessment.

How long does certification take?

The timeline varies based on product category, testing requirements, documentation readiness, inspection requirements and BIS processing. A specific timeline should be estimated only after reviewing the product and applicable requirements.

Can manufacturers outside India apply?

Certain BIS certification routes may be available to foreign manufacturers, subject to applicable schemes and requirements. The exact route should be assessed based on the product and manufacturer location.

12. Important Disclaimer

This guide is prepared for general informational and consultancy reference purposes. BIS requirements, Indian Standards, Quality Control Orders, certification schemes, testing requirements, fees and procedures may change from time to time. This document does not constitute legal advice or an official BIS notification. Businesses should verify the latest applicable requirements from BIS and other competent authorities before taking regulatory or commercial decisions.

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