

BIS CRS COMPLIANCE GUIDELINES

A Comprehensive Handbook by Equal Consultancy Services
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1. Overview of BIS Compulsory Registration Scheme (CRS)

The **Compulsory Registration Scheme (CRS)** was introduced by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) and the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) under Scheme-II of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations. It mandates that no manufacturer can store, import, sell, or distribute specified electronic goods in India without fulfilling compliance standards.

Key Features of CRS:

- **Self-Declaration Model:** Unlike other schemes requiring strict factory inspections initially, CRS operates primarily on sample testing and self-declaration of conformity.
- **Scope Expansion:** Initially covering 15 categories, the framework now mandates testing for over 75+ electronic and IT product types including Smart Card Readers, LED Lights, Laptops, and Power Adaptors.

2. Step-by-Step Certification Process

Equal Consultancy Services assists manufacturers through the exact sequence required by BIS authorities:

- **Step 1: Product Profiling & Standard Identification:** Determine the applicable Indian Standard (IS) based on product parameters (e.g., IS 13252 for IT equipment, IS 616 for audio/video electronics).
- **Step 2: Account Creation & AIR Appointment:** Establish profile on the official BIS CRS online portal. Foreign manufacturers must appoint a local Authorized Indian Representative (AIR).
- **Step 3: Test Request & Sample Submission:** Generate an official online Test Request via the portal, print the generated QR code, and send representative product samples to a BIS-recognized laboratory.
- **Step 4: Laboratory Testing:** The BIS-approved laboratory tests the samples against prescribed performance and safety metrics, issuing a formal test report valid for 90 days.
- **Step 5: Application Filing & Scrutiny:** Compile the dossier containing the valid test reports, official declarations (Form I, II, III), and submit online within the validity timeframe.
- **Step 6: Registration Grant & Labeling:** Upon successful verification by BIS officials, an exclusive R-Number (Registration Number) is granted. The manufacturer must then affix the standard mark layout.

3. Required Documentation Checklist

The following list summarizes key documentation handled by Equal Consultancy Services to prevent delays or rejection:

S.No.	Document Category	Description / Requirements
1	Legal Entity Proof	Factory Business License / Manufacturing Certificate (translated to English if foreign).
2	Trademark Certificate	Proof of Brand Registration or Authorization Agreement from the brand owner.
3	Technical Dossier	Critical Component List (CCL), PCB layout, Circuit Diagrams, and User Manual.
4	Form I, II, and III	Official application forms, undertaking of conformity, and legal affidavits.
5	AIR Documentation	For foreign entities: Nomination Form IV and legal identification proofs of the local representative.
6	Lab Test Report	Original, verified test report generated by a BIS-approved laboratory (under 90 days old).

4. Post-Registration Marking & Marking Rules

Once the registration is granted, manufacturers must display the Standard Mark clearly:

- The product body and external packaging must explicitly exhibit the standard BIS logo layout along with the designated **IS Number** and unique **R-Number (R-XXXXXXXX)**.
- For small-sized products where printing is unfeasible, rules allow labeling solely on outer packaging or via e-labeling screens.
- **Validity & Renewal:** BIS CRS Certificates are issued for an initial tenure of **2 Years** and require renewal submission at least 3 months prior to expiration.

5. Partnering with Equal Consultancy Services

Equal Consultancy Services provides professional end-to-end support for foreign and domestic manufacturers navigating regulatory environments in India. Our support suite includes absolute standard identification, laboratory management, technical dossier curation, Authorized Indian Representative (AIR) provisions, and seamless interface coordination with BIS.

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