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The guidelines record that MeitY has added a 66th entry to the Schedule of the "Electronics and Information Technology Goods (Requirement of Compulsory Registration) Order, 2021". Under that entry, Glass Screen Protector for Smartphone shall conform to IS 19348: 2025 and bear the Standard Mark under a BIS licence. Manufacturers are to apply for and obtain a licence under Scheme II, and the guidelines point to the BIS website for the registration process. The products covered are glass screen protectors for use on smartphones as defined under Clause 3.3 of IS 19348, with or without a privacy film. They may be made in nominal (declared) dimensions with the tolerances in Clause 4.1.1 and Table 1 of the standard.

Manufacturers must identify and declare the protectors they wish to produce and cover in the scope of their licence. All models must comply with IS 19348, and MeitY may formulate series guidelines for the operation of licences granted through registration. The sample for complete testing is 40 pieces, and Table 3 in Annex D of IS 19348 may be referred to for the detailed sampling plan. The test request must declare the intended device; the dimensions (length x width x thickness) in mm; whether a privacy film applies (yes or no); the make and model number; and a drawing of the product, as applicable.

The scope of the licence records the product (Glass Screen Protector for Smartphones) and the make and model. It also records the dimensions, as a range from one length x width x thickness (in mm) up to and including another, along with the drawing number, and whether there is a privacy film. For a change in scope, the guidelines refer to their own clause 4-A-iii, the series guidelines clause. When submitting a sample for testing to the lab, the manufacturer must declare the relevant details regarding the samples (see clause 4-A-iv-b, on the test request).

Packing and marking follow Clause 5 of IS 19348: 2025. In addition, the BIS Standard Mark (CRS Mark) as given in the licence document is to be marked on the protector and on the test certificate, if provided, provided always that the material so marked conforms to the specification. Each piece must also be fog marked legibly with the make and model number, as the product identification code, and an indication of the source and year of manufacture. The guidelines do not give the notification number of the MeitY amendment or the date from which it

applies, and set no fees or time limits for applications. The covering letter is in the name of Rahul Verma, Scientist D; the guidelines themselves carry no name.

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Dated	October 15, 2026
Indian Standard	IS 19348: 2025, Glass Screen Protector — Specification
Scheme	Scheme-II of Schedule-II, BIS (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018
Applies to	Manufacturers of glass screen protectors for smartphones, with or without a privacy film
Takes effect	With immediate effect
Sample	40 pieces for complete testing
Licence scope	Product; make and model; dimension range (L x W x T in mm) with drawing number; privacy film, with or without
Marking	Clause 5 of IS 19348: 2025; CRS Mark on the protector and on the test certificate, if provided; fog marking of make and model number and of source and year of manufacture on each piece
Covering letter	In the name of Rahul Verma, Scientist D

What the guidelines require

Step	Requirement
Application	Licence under Scheme II from BIS for use of the Standard Mark on "Glass Screen Protector" as per IS 19348: 2025
Products covered	Glass screen protectors for smartphones (Clause 3.3 of IS 19348), with or without a privacy film, in nominal (declared) dimensions with the tolerances in Clause 4.1.1 and Table 1
Declaration	The protectors the manufacturer wishes to produce and cover in the scope of its licence
Series	All models comply with IS 19348; MeitY may formulate series guidelines
Sample	40 pieces for complete testing; detailed sampling plan in Table 3, Annex D of IS 19348
Test request	Intended device; dimensions (Length x Width x Thickness) in mm; privacy film: Yes / No; make and model no.; drawing of the product, as applicable

Licence scope	Product; make and model; dimensions from L x W x T to up to and including L x W x T (in mm), with the drawing number; privacy film: With / Without
Change in scope	Clause 4-A-iii (series guidelines) referred to; sample details declared to the lab as in 4-A-iv-b
Packing and marking	As per Clause 5 of IS 19348: 2025
Standard Mark	CRS Mark as given in the licence document, on the protector and on the test certificate, if provided
Fog marking on each piece	Make and model number as product identification code; source and year of manufacture

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