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KEY FACTS

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We read each notice in the table on October 28, 2026, and S.O. 5950(E) on November 8, 2026. Each row links our copy of the official PDF where we hold one. For what the order requires, see our furniture QCO guide.

Furniture QCO notifications and BIS steps, oldest first

Date (Gazette)	Notice	What it did	Part	Our copy
September 27, 2023 (WTO, no Gazette)	G/TBT/N/IND/318	India notified the draft order to the WTO	WTO step	Draft order PDF
September 12, 2024	S.O. 3916(E), CG-DL-E-12092024-257111	Brought upholstered composites for non-domestic furniture under IS 15768:2008	Related order	S.O. 3916(E) PDF
September 20, 2024 (dated September 17)	S.O. 4098(E), CG-DL-E-20092024-257284	Listed motorized furniture as appliance item 82	Related order, superseded	S.O. 4098(E) PDF
February 14, 2025 (dated February 13)	S.O. 801(E) of 2025, CG-DL-E-14022025-261042	Made the ISI mark compulsory on six kinds of furniture	The order	S.O. 801(E) PDF
May 19, 2025	S.O. 2232(E), CG-DL-E-19052025-263220	Replaced S.O. 4098(E); set March 19, 2026 for motorized furniture	Related order, superseded	S.O. 2232(E) PDF
June 2025 (no day printed)	PM/IS 17631/2 to 17634/2	Let chairs, stools, tables, desks and storage units be tested by family	BIS step	Manuals: IS 17631, IS 17632, IS 17633 and IS 17634
December 16, 2025 (BIS circular)	CMD-I/2:4:1	Ended the in-house laboratory rule, with immediate effect	BIS step	CMD-I/2:4:1 PDF

January 5, 2026 (BIS circulars)	CMD-III/16, Amendment No. 1 to IS 17631 to IS 17635	Set January 9, 2026 as the last date for Amendment No. 1	BIS step	Circulars: IS 17631, IS 17632, IS 17633, IS 17634, IS 17635
January 5 to 12, 2026 (BIS portal)	PM/IS 17631/3 to 17634/3, 17635/2 and 17636/2	Let all six products, beds included, be tested by family	BIS step	Manuals: IS 17631, IS 17632, IS 17633, IS 17634, IS 17635, IS 17636
February 13, 2026 (dated February 12)	S.O. 774(E), CG-DL-E-13022026-270115	Added three exemptions on the day the order came into force	Amendment	S.O. 774(E) PDF
February 13, 2026 (dated February 12)	S.O. 777(E), CG-DL-E-13022026-270118	Raised the Udyam limits to ₹1 crore of investment and ₹5 crore of turnover	Amendment	S.O. 777(E) PDF
March 2, 2026 (Gazette ID dated March 3)	S.O. 1125(E), CG-DL-E-03032026-270630	Opened two import windows; by our count, both closed in August 2026, and S.O. 5950(E) later replaced them	Amendment	S.O. 1125(E) PDF
March 23, 2026 (dated March 17)	BIS CMD-2/G-18, CG-DL-E-24032026-271243	Extended the annual minimum marking fee concessions for micro, small, start-up and women entrepreneurs' enterprises to May 31, 2029	BIS step	CMD-2/G-18 PDF
April 6, 2026	S.O. 1739(E), CG-DL-E-06042026-271584	Superseded S.O. 2232(E); set October 1, 2026 for motorized furniture	Related order	S.O. 1739(E) PDF
June 3, 2026 (dated June 2)	DGFT Notification 20/2026-27, CG-DL-E-06062026-273230	Widened the QCO exemption for SEZ units and developers to all goods imported for use inside the zone	DGFT rule	Notification 20/2026-27 PDF
June 25, 2026	S.O. 3417(E), CG-DL-E-25062026-273832	Opened a Scheme II route by DPIIT permission; records the February 13, 2026 start	Transition route	S.O. 3417(E) PDF
November 2, 2026	S.O. 5950(E), CG-DL-E-02112026-277585	Replaced the two import windows with one: purchase orders by August 12, 2026, Bills of Lading by November 30 and Bills of Entry by December 31, 2026	Amendment	S.O. 5950(E) PDF

DPIIT's guidelines for S.O. 3417(E) carry no date, so they aren't listed. Our QCO tracker follows the furniture order and the other QCOs.

Did the furniture QCO start on February 13 or February 14, 2026?

The furniture QCO started on February 13, 2026. Clause 1(2) of S.O. 801(E) says only that it comes into force twelve months after publication, which was February 14, 2025. DPIIT's Schedule to S.O. 3417(E) prints the implementation date as 13.02.2026. February 14 is what you get by counting twelve months to the same calendar day.

> S.O. 3417(E), Schedule, S. No. 9
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> "Furniture (Quality Control) Order, 2025." Date of issue: 14.02.2025. Date of implementation: 13.02.2026.

Each notice carries two dates: its own date, printed as "New Delhi, the ...", and the Gazette date in the masthead. The amendments cite the order by its own date, "S.O. 801(E), dated the 13th February, 2025". We show the Gazette date, as BIS's Scheme-I list does. Where a Gazette ID carries a later day than the masthead, as for S.O. 1125(E), we print the masthead.

March 2, 2026 is when S.O. 1125(E) was published. It moved no product's start date, chairs and tables included. More answers: furniture QCO questions, answered from the official texts.

Which furniture QCO dates are still ahead?

Nine furniture dates lie ahead on November 8, 2026. Imports under S.O. 5950(E) need a Bill of Lading by November 30 and a Bill of Entry by December 31. The appliances order reaches small and micro makers of motorized furniture on January 1 and April 1, 2027. By our count, declared old stock can be sold until about mid-February 2027.

Dates still ahead on November 8, 2026

Date	What happens	Official or worked out	Source
November 30, 2026	The last day for the Bill of Lading under the import exemption for goods ordered by August 12, 2026	Official	S.O. 5950(E), paragraph 2

December 31, 2026	The last day for the Bill of Entry under the same exemption	Official	S.O. 5950(E), paragraph 2
January 1, 2027	S.O. 1739(E) applies to small makers of motorized furniture	Official	S.O. 1739(E), Table, column (6)
About mid-February 2027	The twelve months to sell a maker's declared old stock end	Worked out: twelve months from February 13, 2026	S.O. 774(E), clause 2, second inserted proviso
February 23, 2027	Concurrent running of IS 302-1:2008 beside IS 302 (Part 1):2024, motorized furniture's standard, ends	Official	BIS circular of January 21, 2026
April 1, 2027	S.O. 1739(E) applies to micro makers of motorized furniture	Official	S.O. 1739(E), Table, column (7)
About late June 2028	Applications under S.O. 3417(E) close	Worked out: 24 months from June 25, 2026	S.O. 3417(E), clause 5(1)
May 31, 2029	BIS's marking fee concession ends	Official	CMD-2/G-18, Notes 3 to 6
About late June 2031	S.O. 3417(E) lapses unless extended	Worked out: five years from June 25, 2026	S.O. 3417(E), clause 6(1)

Motorized furniture is item 81 of the appliances order, S.O. 1739(E), not part of the furniture QCO. That order excludes appliances under another QCO (clause 1(3)) and doesn't say whether a motorized bed or chair needs both certifications. See motorized furniture BIS certification.

Was the furniture QCO postponed, extended or withdrawn?

No. None of the notices on furniture postponed, extended or withdrawn the order. The twelve months were in clause 1(2) of S.O. 801(E) from the start. The government listed the six products under QCOs in a Lok Sabha answer on March 10, 2026, and DPIIT listed the order in S.O. 3417(E) on June 25, 2026.

That answer counted 142 QCOs covering 721 products, the six furniture products among them (Unstarred Question 2895, Annexure-A, items 683 to 688).

The twelve months weren't added later. The draft order India notified to the WTO as G/TBT/N/IND/318 already said twelve months. It also gave micro and small enterprises eighteen months and set Udyam limits of ₹25 lakh and ₹2 crore. Only the WTO notice's own form said six months, until a corrigendum of October 13, 2023 changed it to twelve.

Nor is S.O. 3417(E) a postponement: Scheme-I stays the rule for anyone DPIIT hasn't permitted to use its Scheme II route (clauses 3 and 4).

S.O. 5950(E) of November 2, 2026 isn't a postponement either. It exempts only imports ordered by August 12, 2026 that meet its Bill of Lading and Bill of Entry dates (paragraph 2).

When did the micro and small enterprise window end?

The eighteen months for micro and small enterprises ended about mid-August 2026, on August 13 or 14 depending on how the months are counted. S.O. 801(E) gave them eighteen months from publication on February 14, 2025, and no official document prints a last date. BIS's Scheme-I list shows no extension as of October 28, 2026.

The rule is the second proviso to paragraph 2 of S.O. 801(E). See the furniture QCO for MSMEs, including the Udyam exemption that still runs.

Did the 2026 amendments relax the furniture QCO?

Yes: S.O. 774(E) exempted research imports, declared old stock and export inputs, and S.O. 777(E) raised the Udyam limits. S.O. 1125(E) opened two import windows, which S.O. 5950(E) replaced with one for goods ordered by August 12, 2026. None of the 2026 amendments moved the start date. BIS's Amendment No. 1 to the standards removed some tests.

BIS's circulars of January 5, 2026 list the changes. Amendment No. 1 dropped the mechanical damage test for tables and desks, storage units and beds, and cut the bed impact test from 20 cycles to 1. It added marking for general purpose chairs and stools, tables and desks, and storage units.

See every furniture QCO exemption, open and closed.

Latest notices and insights

- Furniture QCO exempts imports ordered by August 12, 2026 (Insight, November 2, 2026)
- DGFT widens the QCO exemption for SEZ imports to all permissible goods for SEZ operations (Notice, June 2, 2026)
- QCO exemption widened to all permissible SEZ imports (Insight, June 2, 2026)
- Electrical appliances need the BIS mark from October 1, 2026 (Insight, April 6, 2026)
- Furniture QCO allows 200 R&D imports and a year for old stock (Insight, February 12, 2026)

Frequently asked questions

Has anything on furniture been notified since June 25, 2026?

Yes: S.O. 5950(E) of November 2, 2026 replaced the two import windows with one exemption for goods ordered by August 12, 2026. BIS's Scheme-I list, read on November 7, 2026, shows nothing later. We haven't searched every Gazette issue, so a notice BIS hasn't listed can't be ruled out.

Was the furniture QCO notified to the WTO?

Yes, as G/TBT/N/IND/318 on September 27, 2023. A corrigendum of October 13, 2023 changed the notice's entry into force from six months to twelve. The European Union later raised the order at the WTO as trade concern 828.

Why is the order called S.O. 801(E) of 2025?

S.O. numbers restart every year, so the year is part of the citation. A different S.O. 801(E), a National Highways land notice, appeared in the Gazette on February 16, 2026.

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