CEMENT (ANY VARIETY OF CEMENT MANUFACTURED OR SOLD IN INDIA) / IN FORCE

Quality Control Order for cement manufactured or sold in India

The Cement (Quality Control) Order, 2003 bars making, storing, selling or distributing cement that fails the Specified Standard or lacks the Standard Mark.

THE CEMENT (QUALITY Control) Order, 2003 was issued as S.O. 191(E), dated February 17, 2003, under section 14 of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 1986. It defines cement as any variety of cement manufactured or sold in India, naming blast furnace slag cement, portland pozzolana cement, rapid hardening, white, hydrophobic, ordinary, low heat and high strength ordinary portland cement, cement used for the manufacture of railway sleepers, masonry cement, oil well cement and super sulphated cement, and any other variety the Central Government notifies.

STANDARDS 12

KEY FACTS

ORDER

Cement (Quality Control) Order, 2003

CAME INTO FORCE

On the date of its publication in the Official Gazette (February 17, 2003)

WHERE IT STANDS

In force

REFERENCES

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No person may manufacture, store for sale, sell or distribute cement that does not conform to the Specified Standard, the Indian Standard Specification of cement prescribed by the Bureau, and does not bear the Standard Mark. Non-conforming cement is to be destroyed within a month. Manufacturers had to apply for a licence within forty five days of the order, and new manufacturers must apply before production begins.

The Central Government may, on application, permit sale without the Standard Mark for up to one hundred and fifty days while the grant of the Standard Mark is pending, and may exempt export cement made to overseas standards or buyer's specifications.

An Appropriate Authority appointed by the Central or a State Government may call for information and samples, inspect records, search and seize cement, and issue directions. The order came into force on publication. The register lists no later notification, and the text names no Indian Standard numbers.

Order	Cement (Quality Control) Order, 2003
Product group	Cement (any variety of cement manufactured or sold in India)
Where it stands	In force
What it requires	No person may manufacture, store for sale, sell or distribute cement that does not conform to the Specified Standard, the Indian Standard Specification of cement prescribed by the Bureau of Indian Standards, and does not bear the Standard Mark. Cement that does not conform is to be destroyed within a month, and manufacturers had to apply to the Bureau for a licence within forty five days of the order's issue, if not already obtained.
Came into force	On the date of its publication in the Official Gazette (February 17, 2003)
Exemptions	• On an application, the Central Government may permit a person to manufacture, store for sale, sell or distribute cement without the

Standard Mark for a period not exceeding one hundred and fifty days, if satisfied that the grant of regular Standard Mark is pending with the authorities under the Act

- On an application, the Central Government may grant exemption from the Standard Mark for cement manufactured and dispatched for export that is as per overseas standards or the buyer's specifications and does not coincide with the corresponding requirements of the Indian Standards

Enforcement

An Appropriate Authority (an officer not below the rank of Under Secretary to the Government of India, or not below the rank of General Manager, District Industries Centre of a State Government, appointed by notification) may call for information and samples, inspect books and documents, enter, search and seize cement, and issue directions to manufacturers and dealers; samples are tested in a laboratory approved by the Bureau of Indian Standards.

The products and their standards

Product
Blast furnace slag cement
Portland pozzolana cement
Rapid hardening portland cement
White portland cement
Hydrophobic portland cement
Ordinary portland cement
Low heat portland cement
High strength ordinary portland cement
Cement used for the manufacture of railway sleepers
Masonry cement
Oil well cement
Super sulphated cement

Every notification on this order

Date	Notification	Status	What it did

February 17, 2003	S.O. 191(E) PDF, 1.8 MB	In force	Issued the Cement (Quality Control) Order, 2003 under section 14 of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 1986, prohibiting the manufacture, storage for sale, sale or distribution of cement that does not conform to the Specified Standard and does not bear the Standard Mark, from the date of publication.

Each notification is linked, as a PDF, in the list above.

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