WATER METERS AND ACCESSORIES / IN FORCE

# Quality Control Order for domestic and bulk water meters and ferrules for water services

Water meters (IS 2373 bulk, IS 779 domestic) and ferrules for water services (IS 2692) must bear the BIS Standard Mark from September 6, 2024.

THE WATER METERS AND accessories (Quality Control) Order, 2023 was issued by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade) as S.O. 1142(E), dated March 5, 2024, and published in the Gazette of India on March 7, 2024. It covers water meters and accessories against three standards: IS 2373:1981, Water meters (bulk type); IS 779: 1994, Water meters (domestic type); and IS 2692: 1989, Ferrules for water services.

**STANDARDS** 3

| IS 2373:1981 | IS 779: 1994 | IS 2692: 1989 |
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| Water meters (bulk type) | Water meters (domestic type) | Ferrules for water services |

**KEY FACTS**

**ORDER**

Water meters and accessories (Quality Control) Order, 2023

**CAME INTO FORCE**

On the expiry of six month from the date of publication of the notification in the Official Gazette (published March 7, 2024); S.O. 775(E) and S.O. 776(E) give the date of implementation as September 6, 2024

**WHERE IT STANDS**

In force

**REFERENCES**

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| S.O. 776(E) | In force |
| S.O. 775(E) | In force |
| S.O. 1142(E) | In force |

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The goods must conform to the corresponding standard and bear the Standard Mark under a licence from the Bureau of Indian Standards as per Scheme-1 to Schedule-II of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018. The order does not apply to goods manufactured domestically for export. The Bureau is the certifying and enforcing authority, and contraventions are punishable under the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016.

The order came into force six months after publication, with nine months for small enterprises and twelve months for micro enterprises. The exemption notifications of February 12, 2026 record its date of implementation as September 6, 2024.

S.O. 775(E) exempts imports with a Bill of Lading shipped before September 6, 2024 and a Bill of Entry on or before one hundred and eighty days after that date. S.O. 776(E) exempts goods ordered before that date whose Bill of Lading and Bill of Entry are dated on or before one hundred and eighty days from it. Both require the importer to give the Bureau the documents within seven days of clearance.

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| Order | Water meters and accessories (Quality Control) Order, 2023 |
| Issued by | Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade) |
| Product group | Water meters and accessories |
| Where it stands | In force |
| What it requires | Water meters and accessories must conform to the corresponding Indian Standard in the Table and bear the Standard Mark under a licence from the Bureau of Indian Standards. The latest version of the standards, including amendments notified by the Bureau from time to time, applies. |
| Certification scheme | Scheme-1 to Schedule-II of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018 |

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| Came into force | On the expiry of six month from the date of publication of the notification in the Official Gazette (published March 7, 2024); S.O. 775(E) and S.O. 776(E) give the date of implementation as September 6, 2024 |
| Small enterprises | Small enterprises: on the expiry of nine month from the date of publication of the notification. Micro enterprises: on the expiry of twelve month from the date of publication of the notification. Both as defined in section 2 of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006. |
| Exemptions | • Goods or articles manufactured domestically for export<br>• S.O. 775(E): imports with a Bill of Lading shipped before the date of implementation and a Bill of Entry on or before one hundred and eighty days after the date of implementation (September 6, 2024), subject to the importer giving the Bureau copies of the Bill of Lading, Bill of Entry and supporting documents within seven days of clearance<br>• S.O. 776(E): goods where the purchase order was placed before the date of implementation and the Bill of Lading and Bill of Entry are dated on or before one hundred and eighty days from the date the order came into force, subject to the importer giving the Bureau copies of the Purchase Order, Bill of Lading, Bill of Entry and supporting documents within seven days of clearance |
| Enforcement | The Bureau of Indian Standards is the certifying and enforcing authority. Any person who contravenes the order is punishable under the provisions of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016. |

## The products and their standards

| Product | Indian Standard | Title of the standard |
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| Water Meter and Accessories | IS 2373:1981 | Water meters (bulk type) |
| Water Meter and Accessories | IS 779: 1994 | Water meters (domestic type) |
| Water Meter and Accessories | IS 2692: 1989 | Ferrules for water services |

## Every notification on this order

| Date | Notification | Status | What it did |
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| February 13, 2026 | S.O. 776(E) PDF, 724 KB · Gazette | In force | Dated February 12, 2026, exempted goods under 26 listed Quality Control Orders, including this order (notified March 7, 2024; implementation September 6, 2024), where the purchase order was placed before the date of implementation and the Bill of Lading and Bill of Entry are dated on or before one hundred and eighty days from the date the order came into force, subject to documents being given to the Bureau within seven days of clearance. |
| February 13, 2026 | S.O. 775(E) PDF, 724 KB · Gazette | In force | Dated February 12, 2026, exempted imports under 26 listed Quality Control Orders, including this order (notified March 7, 2024; implementation September 6, 2024), in consignments with a Bill of Lading shipped before the date of implementation and a Bill of Entry on or before one hundred and eighty days after it, subject to documents being given to the Bureau within seven days of clearance. |
| March 7, 2024 | S.O. 1142(E) PDF, 755 KB · Gazette | In force | Issued the Water meters and accessories (Quality Control) Order, 2023, dated March 5, 2024, under section 16 of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016, requiring bulk and domestic water meters and ferrules for water services to conform to IS 2373:1981, IS 779: 1994 and IS 2692: 1989 and bear the Standard Mark, from six months after publication, nine months for small enterprises and twelve months for micro enterprises. |

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

Where a notification shows "Gazette", that links the Gazette of India's copy; ours was checked against it on October 20, 2026.

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