FLASHLIGHT / IN FORCE

Quality Control Order for flashlights

The 2025 Flashlight QCO requires flashlights to meet IS 2083:2024 and bear the Standard Mark, with a date of implementation of July 27, 2025.

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STANDARDS 1

IS 2083:2024

Flashlight - Specification

KEY FACTS

ORDER

Flashlight (Quality Control) Order, 2025

CAME INTO FORCE

The order came into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette (January 28, 2025); the Table sets the date of implementation for enterprises other than micro and small enterprises at 6 months from the date of publication. S.O. 775(E) and S.O. 776(E) give the date of implementation as July 27, 2025

WHERE IT STANDS

In force

REFERENCES

S.O. 776(E)	In force
S.O. 775(E)	In force
S.O. 501(E)	In force

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Flashlight (Quality Control) Order, 2025 · Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade)

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The order covers flashlights. They must conform to IS 2083:2024, Flashlight - Specification, and bear the Standard Mark under a licence from the Bureau of Indian Standards as per Scheme-1 of Schedule-II of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018. The Table sets implementation at 6 months from the date of publication for enterprises other than micro and small enterprises, 9 months in the column for small enterprises and 12 months in the column for micro enterprises.

Goods manufactured domestically for export are excluded, as are fifty units a year imported by flashlight manufacturers for research and development, on conditions. The Bureau is the certifying and enforcing authority, and contraventions are punishable under the Act.

On February 12, 2026, S.O. 775(E) and S.O. 776(E), each covering 26 orders, gave the order's date of implementation as July 27, 2025. They exempted consignments shipped, or ordered, before that date where the Bill of Entry is dated on or before one hundred and eighty days after it, subject to the importer giving the Bureau copies of the documents within seven days of clearance.

Order	Flashlight (Quality Control) Order, 2025
Issued by	Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade)
Product group	Flashlight
Where it stands	In force
What it requires	Flashlights must conform to IS 2083:2024 and bear the Standard Mark under a licence from the Bureau of Indian Standards as per Scheme-1 of Schedule-II of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018, from the dates of implementation in the Table. The latest version of the standard, including its amendments, as notified by the Bureau from time to time, applies.

Certification scheme	Scheme-1 of Schedule-II of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018
Came into force	The order came into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette (January 28, 2025); the Table sets the date of implementation for enterprises other than micro and small enterprises at 6 months from the date of publication. S.O. 775(E) and S.O. 776(E) give the date of implementation as July 27, 2025
Small enterprises	The Table gives 9 months from the date of publication in the column headed Small Enterprises and 12 months from the date of publication in the column headed Micro Enterprises; the proviso refers to micro enterprises and small enterprises and to columns (6) and (7) respectively.
Exemptions	• Goods or articles manufactured domestically for export • Fifty goods or articles a year imported for the purpose of research and development by manufacturers of Flashlights, on condition that they are not sold commercially and can be disposed of as scrap, and that the manufacturers maintain a year-wise record and furnish it if the Central Government so desires • S.O. 775(E): imports in a consignment with a Bill of Lading shipped before the date of implementation (July 27, 2025) and a Bill of Entry on or before one hundred and eighty days after it, subject to the importer giving the Bureau copies of the Bill of Lading, Bill of Entry and supporting documents within seven days of clearance • S.O. 776(E): goods for which the purchase order was placed before the date of implementation (July 27, 2025) 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 provisions of 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
Flashlight	IS 2083:2024	Flashlight - Specification

Every notification on this order

Date	Notification	Status	What it did
February 13, 2026	S.O. 776(E) PDF, 724 KB · Gazette	In force	Dated February 12, 2026, it exempted goods under 26 listed orders, including this one (notified January 28, 2025, implementation July 27, 2025), 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 180 days from that date. The importer must give the Bureau copies of the Purchase Order, Bill of Lading and Bill of Entry within seven days of clearance.
February 13, 2026	S.O. 775(E) PDF, 724 KB · Gazette	In force	Dated February 12, 2026, it exempted imports under 26 listed orders, including this one (notified January 28, 2025, implementation July 27, 2025), where the Bill of Lading shows shipment before the date of implementation and the Bill of Entry is on or before 180 days after it. The importer must give the Bureau copies of the Bill of Lading and Bill of Entry within seven days of clearance.
January 28, 2025	S.O. 501(E) PDF, 1.7 MB · Gazette	In force	Issued the Flashlight (Quality Control) Order, 2025, dated January 21, 2025, under section 16 of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016, in force from its publication, requiring flashlights to conform to IS 2083:2024 and bear the Standard Mark from 6 months after publication, with 9 and 12 months in the columns for small and 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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