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**STANDARDS** 1

**IS 12795:2020**

Linear Alkyl Benzene - Specification

**KEY FACTS**

ORDER

**Linear Alkyl Benzene (Quality Control) Order, 2022**

CAME INTO FORCE

April 3, 2023, under the Linear Alkyl Benzene (Quality Control) Order, 2022 as amended by S.O. 4602 (E); the 2022 order as issued named October 3, 2022, and the 2021 order it superseded named the expiry of one hundred and eighty days from its publication in the Official Gazette

WHERE IT STANDS

**Suspended**

**REFERENCES**

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| S.O. 5136(E) | Suspended |
| S.O. 3456(E) | Suspended |
| S.O. 1655(E) | Amended |
| S.O. 4602 (E) | Amended |
| S.O. 1648(E) | Amended |
| S.O. 4182(E) | Amended |
| S.O. 1664(E) | In force |

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The goods must conform to that standard and bear the Standard Mark under a licence from the Bureau of Indian Standards, as per Scheme-I of Schedule-II of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018. Goods meant for export are excluded. The Bureau is the certifying and enforcing authority, and contraventions are punishable under the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016.

The 2021 order was to come into force one hundred and eighty days after publication, and S.O. 4182(E) of October 8, 2021 restated that provision. On April 5, 2022, S.O. 1648(E) replaced it with the Linear Alkyl Benzene (Quality Control) Order, 2022, with the same requirement, to come into force on October 3, 2022. S.O. 4602 (E) of September 29, 2022 deferred that date to April 3, 2023.

In 2026 the operation of the order was suspended temporarily, citing the exigencies prevailing globally and the supply chain disruption. S.O. 1655(E) of March 30, 2026 made conformity to the standard inapplicable from April 1, 2026 to July 1, 2026, and S.O. 3456(E) of June 25, 2026 amended that proviso to refer to July 1, 2026 to September 30, 2026. The register lists a further temporary suspension, S.O. 5136(E) of October 7, 2026, whose text is not in this record.

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| Order | Linear Alkyl Benzene (Quality Control) Order, 2022 |
| Issued by | Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers (Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals) |
| Product group | Chemicals, Fertilizers, Polymers & Textiles |
| Where it stands | Suspended |
| What it requires | Linear alkyl benzene must conform to IS 12795:2020 and bear the Standard Mark under a licence from the Bureau of Indian Standards. Since S.O. 4602 (E), the latest version of the standard, with its amendments, applies from the date the Bureau notifies it. |
| Certification scheme | Scheme-I of Schedule-II of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018 |

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| Came into force | April 3, 2023, under the Linear Alkyl Benzene (Quality Control) Order, 2022 as amended by S.O. 4602 (E); the 2022 order as issued named October 3, 2022, and the 2021 order it superseded named the expiry of one hundred and eighty days from its publication in the Official Gazette |
| Exemptions | Goods or articles meant for export |
| 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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| Linear Alkyl Benzene | IS 12795:2020 | Linear Alkyl Benzene - Specification |

## Every notification on this order

| Date | Notification | Status | What it did |
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| October 7, 2026 | S.O. 5136(E) PDF, 644 KB · Gazette | Suspended | |
| June 25, 2026 | S.O. 3456(E) PDF, 717 KB · Gazette | Suspended | Dated June 25, 2026, it amended the proviso to paragraph 2 of the Linear Alkyl Benzene (Quality Control) Order, 2022, citing the exigencies prevailing globally, the supply chain disruption and the need to suspend the operation of the order temporarily. The substituted words, as printed, refer to the period from July 1, 2026 to September 30, 2026. |
| March 30, 2026 | S.O. 1655(E) PDF, 590 KB · Gazette | Amended | Inserted a proviso in paragraph 2 of the 2022 order under which conformity to the Indian Standard does not apply from April 1, 2026 to July 1, 2026, to prevent disruption of the supply chain of the goods. |
| September 30, 2022 | S.O. 4602 (E) PDF, 1.7 MB · Gazette | Amended | The Linear Alkyl Benzene (Quality Control) Amendment Order, 2022, dated September 29, 2022, deferred the commencement of the 2022 order to April 3, 2023, and inserted a note that the latest version of the Indian Standard, with its amendments, applies from the date the Bureau notifies it. |
| April 6, 2022 | S.O. 1648(E) PDF, 1.9 MB · Gazette | Amended | Dated April 5, 2022, it issued the Linear Alkyl Benzene (Quality Control) Order, 2022 in supersession of the 2021 order, with the same requirement and standard, to come into force on October 3, 2022. |

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| October 8, 2021 | S.O. 4182(E) PDF, 1.2 MB · Gazette | Amended | The Linear Alkyl Benzene (Quality Control) Amendment Order, 2021 substituted paragraph 1(2) of the 2021 order to read that the order shall come into force on the expiry of one hundred and eighty days from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette. |
| April 20, 2021 | S.O. 1664(E) PDF, 1.4 MB · Gazette | In force | Issued the Linear Alkyl Benzene (Quality Control) Order, 2021, dated April 15, 2021, under section 16 of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016, requiring linear alkyl benzene to conform to IS 12795:2020 and bear the Standard Mark under a licence from the Bureau. |

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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