FOOT WEAR / TRANSITION FACILITATION

Quality Control Order for personal protective footwear (IS 15298 Parts 2, 3 and 4)

A 2020 QCO requires safety, protective and occupational footwear to meet IS 15298 and bear the Standard Mark, in force from January 1, 2022.

THE PERSONAL PROTECTIVE Equipment- Footwear (Quality Control) Order, 2020 was issued by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade) as S.O. 3857(E), dated October 27, 2020 and published on October 28, 2020. It covers personal protective footwear under three parts of IS 15298: Part 2, safety footwear (2016); Part 3, protective footwear (2019); and Part 4, occupational footwear (2017).

STANDARDS 3

IS 15298 (Part 2): 2016

Personal protective equipment - Part 2 Safety Footwear

IS 15298 (Part 3) : 2019

Personal protective equipment - Part 3 Protective Footwear

IS 15298 (Part 4) : 2017

Personal protective equipment - Part 4 Occupational Footwear

KEY FACTS

ORDER

Personal Protective Equipment- Footwear (Quality Control) Order, 2020

CAME INTO FORCE

January 1, 2022, under S.O. 2647(E); as issued, from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette (October 28, 2020), and July 1, 2021 under S.O. 4377(E)

WHERE IT STANDS

Transition Facilitation

REFERENCES

S.O. 3417(E)	Transition Facilitation
S.O. 2647(E)	Amended
S.O. 4377(E)	Amended
S.O. 3857(E)	In force

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Personal Protective Equipment- Footwear (Quality Control) Order, 2020 · Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade), Leather and Footwear Section

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The footwear must conform to the corresponding 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. The order does not apply to goods meant for export. The Bureau is the certifying and enforcing authority.

As issued, the order was to come into force on publication. S.O. 4377(E), dated December 4, 2020, moved the date to July 1, 2021, and S.O. 2647(E), dated June 30, 2021, moved it to January 1, 2022.

On June 25, 2026, the Transition Facilitation (Quality Control) Order, 2026 (S.O. 3417(E)) listed this order in its Schedule, with January 1, 2022 as its date of implementation. Under that order, goods may carry the Standard Mark under a licence as per Scheme II of Schedule II to the Conformity Assessment Regulations, available only to a manufacturer supplying a company granted specific permission by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade.

Order	Personal Protective Equipment- Footwear (Quality Control) Order, 2020
Issued by	Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade), Leather and Footwear Section
Product group	Foot Wear
Where it stands	Transition Facilitation
What it requires	Personal protective footwear must conform to the corresponding part of IS 15298 and bear the Standard Mark under a licence from the Bureau of Indian Standards.
Certification scheme	Scheme-I of Schedule-II of Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018

Came into force	January 1, 2022, under S.O. 2647(E); as issued, from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette (October 28, 2020), and July 1, 2021 under S.O. 4377(E)
Exemptions	Goods or articles meant for export
Enforcement	The Bureau of Indian Standards is the certifying and enforcing authority.

The products and their standards

Product	Indian Standard	Title of the standard
Personal Protective Equipment - Footwear	IS 15298 (Part 2): 2016	Personal protective equipment - Part 2 Safety Footwear
Personal Protective Equipment - Footwear	IS 15298 (Part 3) : 2019	Personal protective equipment - Part 3 Protective Footwear
Personal Protective Equipment - Footwear	IS 15298 (Part 4) : 2017	Personal protective equipment - Part 4 Occupational Footwear

Every notification on this order

Date	Notification	Status	What it did
June 25, 2026	S.O. 3417(E) PDF, 746 KB · Gazette	Transition Facilitation	Issued the Transition Facilitation (Quality Control) Order, 2026, whose Schedule lists this order (date of issue October 27, 2020; date of implementation January 1, 2022). For the orders listed, goods may carry the Standard Mark under a licence as per Scheme II of Schedule II to the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018, available only to a manufacturer supplying a company granted specific permission by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade after a risk assessment by an Implementation Committee; applications are accepted for twenty-four months and the order remains in force for five years unless extended.
June 30, 2021	S.O. 2647(E) PDF, 1.1 MB · Gazette	Amended	Issued the Personal Protective Equipment-Footwear (Quality Control) Amendment Order, 2021, substituting sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 1 so that the order comes into force on January 1, 2022.
December 4, 2020	S.O. 4377(E) PDF, 1.2 MB · Gazette	Amended	Substituted sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 1 so that the order comes into force on July 1, 2021.
October 28, 2020	S.O. 3857(E) PDF, 1.2 MB · Gazette	In force	Dated October 27, 2020, it issued the Personal Protective Equipment-Footwear (Quality Control) Order, 2020, covering IS 15298 (Part 2): 2016, IS 15298 (Part 3): 2019 and IS 15298 (Part 4): 2017, to come into force on publication.

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

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