PROTECTIVE TEXTILES / AMENDED

Quality Control Order for protective clothing, gloves, slings, pouches, ponchos, curtains

The Protective Textiles (Quality Control) Order, 2022 requires items from firefighter clothing to rain ponchos to bear the BIS Standard Mark.

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STANDARDS 11

IS 15741 : 2007

Textiles – Resistance to ignition of curtains and drapes - Specification

IS 16890 : 2018

Textiles - Protective Clothing for Firefighters – Specification

IS 16874 : 2018

Textiles - Protective Gloves for Firefighters - Specification

IS 15748 : 2022

Textiles - Protective clothing for Industrial workers exposed to heat (excluding firefighters' and welders' clothing)

IS 15742 : 2007

Textiles - requirements for clothing made of limited flame spread materials and material assemblies affording protection against heat and flame - specification

IS 15809 : 2017

High visibility warning clothes - Specification (first revision)

KEY FACTS

ORDER

Protective Textiles (Quality Control) Order, 2022

CAME INTO FORCE

180 days after its publication in the Official Gazette

WHERE IT STANDS

Amended

REFERENCES

S.O. 3896(E)	Amended
S.O. 2332(E)	Amended
S.O. 1707(E)	In force

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Each must conform to the corresponding Indian Standard and bear the Standard Mark under a licence from the Bureau of Indian Standards, in accordance with Scheme-I of Schedule-II to the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018. The Schedule's note says the latest version of each standard applies from the date the Bureau publishes it. The order was to come into force 180 days after its publication and does not apply to goods meant for export. The Bureau is the certifying and enforcing authority, and contraventions are punishable under the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016.

The note to the 2024 amendment records that the order had last been amended by S.O. 2332(E), dated May 24, 2023.

The Protective Textiles (Quality Control) Amendment Order, 2024 (S.O. 3896(E), dated September 11, 2024) omitted Sl. No. 2, upholstered composites used for non-domestic furniture (IS 15768 : 2008), from the Schedule.

Order	Protective Textiles (Quality Control) Order, 2022
Issued by	Ministry of Textiles
Product group	Protective Textiles
Where it stands	Amended
What it requires	The goods must conform to the corresponding Indian Standard in the Schedule and bear the Standard Mark under a licence from the Bureau of Indian Standards. The Schedule's note says the latest version of each Indian Standard published by the Bureau applies from the date of its publication.
Certification scheme	Scheme-I of Schedule-II to the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018

Came into force	180 days after its publication in the Official Gazette
Exemptions	Goods or article meant for export
Enforcement	The Bureau of Indian Standards is the certifying and enforcing authority. Any person who contravenes the order is punishable in accordance with the provisions of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016 (11 of 2016).

The products and their standards

Product	Indian Standard	Title of the standard
Curtains and Drapes	IS 15741 : 2007	Textiles – Resistance to ignition of curtains and drapes - Specification
Protective clothing for firefighters	IS 16890 : 2018	Textiles - Protective Clothing for Firefighters – Specification
Protective gloves for firefighters	IS 16874 : 2018	Textiles - Protective Gloves for Firefighters - Specification
Protective clothing for industrial workers exposed to heat	IS 15748 : 2022	Textiles - Protective clothing for Industrial workers exposed to heat (excluding firefighters' and welders' clothing)
Clothing made of limited flame spread materials and material assemblies affording protection against heat and flame	IS 15742 : 2007	Textiles - requirements for clothing made of limited flame spread materials and material assemblies affording protection against heat and flame - specification
High visibility Warning Clothes	IS 15809 : 2017	High visibility warning clothes - Specification (first revision)
Protective Clothing for use in welding and allied processes	IS 16655 : 2017	Textiles - Protective clothing for use in welding and allied processes
Tactical 3 point sling	IS 16725 : 2018	Textiles - Tactical 3 point sling universal - Specification
Pouch for ammunition and grenades made of disruptive pattern nylon-66	IS 16726 : 2018	Textiles - Pouch for ammunition and grenades made of disruptive pattern nylon 6 6 - Specification
Bullet resistant jackets	IS 17051 : 2018	Textiles - Bullet resistant jackets - Performance requirements
Water-proof multipurpose rain poncho	IS 17286 : 2019	Textiles - Water-proof multipurpose rain poncho with convertibility as bivouac - Specification

Every notification on this order

Date	Notification	Status	What it did
September 12, 2024	S.O. 3896(E) PDF, 2.0 MB · Gazette	Amended	Dated September 11, 2024, the Protective Textiles (Quality Control) Amendment Order, 2024 omitted Sl. No. 2 of the Schedule, upholstered composites used for non-domestic furniture (IS 15768 : 2008), with effect from its publication.
May 24, 2023	S.O. 2332(E) PDF, 1.5 MB · Gazette	Amended	
April 10, 2023	S.O. 1707(E) PDF, 1.5 MB · Gazette	In force	Issued the Protective Textiles (Quality Control) Order, 2022, covering twelve textile products and requiring each to conform to its Indian Standard and bear the Standard Mark under a licence from the Bureau of Indian Standards, from 180 days after publication.

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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