ELECTRIC TOYS / TRANSITION FACILITATION

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STANDARDS 1

IS 15644: 2006

Safety of Electric Toys

KEY FACTS

ORDER

Toys (Quality Control) Order, 2020

CAME INTO FORCE

January 1, 2021, under S.O. 3146(E); as issued, September 1, 2020 (printed as 01.09.2020)

WHERE IT STANDS

Transition Facilitation

REFERENCES

S.O. 3417(E)	Transition Facilitation
S.O. 4277(E)	Amended
S.O. 4514(E)	Amended
S.O. 3146(E)	Amended
S.O. 853(E)	In force

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Toys must conform to the corresponding standards and bear the Standard Mark under a licence from the Bureau of Indian Standards, as per Scheme-I of Schedule-II of the BIS (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018. The Bureau is the certifying and enforcement authority. Goods meant for export are excluded.

As issued, the order was to take effect on September 1, 2020; S.O. 3146(E) of September 15, 2020 moved this to January 1, 2021. S.O. 4514(E) of December 11, 2020 excluded goods made and sold by registered artisans and by registered proprietors and authorised users of Geographical Indication products. S.O. 4277(E) of September 30, 2024 excluded up to 300 numbers per financial year imported for research and development by certified or applicant manufacturers.

The Transition Facilitation (Quality Control) Order, 2026 (S.O. 3417(E), June 25, 2026) lists the Toys (Quality Control) Order, 2020 among ten orders for which a Scheme II licence route is available to manufacturers supplying companies granted permission by the Department.

Order	Toys (Quality Control) Order, 2020
Issued by	Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade)
Product group	Electric Toys
Where it stands	Transition Facilitation
What it requires	Toys must conform to the corresponding Indian Standards, including IS 15644: 2006, Safety of Electric Toys, and bear the Standard Mark under a licence from the Bureau of Indian Standards. The order applies to products designed or clearly intended, whether or not exclusively, for use in play by children under 14 years of age.
Certification scheme	Scheme-I of Schedule-II of BIS (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018

Came into force	January 1, 2021, under S.O. 3146(E); as issued, September 1, 2020 (printed as 01.09.2020)
Exemptions	• Goods or articles meant for export • Goods or articles manufactured and sold by artisans registered with the Office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts), under the Ministry of Textiles (S.O. 4514(E)) • Goods or articles manufactured and sold by the registered proprietor and authorised user of a product registered as a Geographical Indication by the Registrar of Geographical Indications (S.O. 4514(E)) • Import of up to 300 numbers (max 5 nos each type of samples) of goods and articles per financial year for research and development for toys and related parts by each manufacturer certified by the Bureau or that has applied to it, which will not be sold commercially and shall be disposed of as scrap, with a year-wise record and declaration furnished to the Central Government (S.O. 4277(E))
Enforcement	The Bureau of Indian Standards is the certifying and enforcement authority.

The products and their standards

Product	Indian Standard	Title of the standard
Toys	IS 15644: 2006	Safety of Electric Toys

Every notification on this order

Date	Notification	Status	What it did
June 25, 2026	S.O. 3417(E) PDF, 746 KB · Gazette	Transition Facilitation	Dated June 25, 2026, it issued the Transition Facilitation (Quality Control) Order, 2026, whose Schedule lists the Toys (Quality Control) Order, 2020 (date of issue February 25, 2020; date of implementation January 1, 2021). Notwithstanding the listed orders, it permits use of the Standard Mark under a Scheme II licence from the Bureau, available only to a manufacturer supplying a company granted specific permission by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade on the basis of a risk assessment by an Implementation Committee.
September 30, 2024	S.O. 4277(E) PDF, 1.7 MB · Gazette	Amended	Inserted a proviso in paragraph 3 excluding imports of up to 300 numbers (max 5 nos each type of samples) per financial year for research and development by each manufacturer certified by, or that has applied to, the Bureau, on conditions including no commercial sale and a year-wise record.

November 12, 2020	S.O. 4514(E) PDF, 1.6 MB · Gazette	Amended	Dated December 11, 2020, the Toys (Quality Control) Second Amendment Order, 2020 inserted provisos in paragraph 3 excluding goods manufactured and sold by artisans registered with the Office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) and by registered proprietors and authorised users of products registered as Geographical Indications.
September 15, 2020	S.O. 3146(E) PDF, 1.4 MB · Gazette	Amended	Substituted paragraph 1(2) so that the order comes into force with effect from January 1, 2021.
February 25, 2020	S.O. 853(E) PDF, 1.1 MB · Gazette	In force	Issued the Toys (Quality Control) Order, 2020, requiring toys to conform to IS 9873 (Parts 1, 2, 3, 4, 7 and 9) and IS 15644: 2006 and bear the Standard Mark under a licence from the Bureau, with effect from September 1, 2020.

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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