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Dt: 19.07.2023

TRADE CIRCULAR No. 04 DATED 19.07.2023

It is to inform all coir floor furnishing manufactures that the Ministry of Textile, through an Office Memorandum dated 06.07.2023, has presented a draft Quality Control Order (QCO) on Floor Furnishing. This order include the following three specific coir products that will fall under the purview of the mentioned QCO.

Once this order is officially implemented, all coir floor furnishing manufactured will be required to obtain mandatory certification from the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) within a period of 180 days.

- 1. Coir mats- IS 11420(Part 1-9):2020
- 2. Coir mattings, mourzouks and carpets IS12503(Part 1-6):2020
- 3. PVC/ Latex tufted coir mats IS 17734:2022

BIS Certification scheme is basically voluntary in nature. However, for a number of products compliance to Indian Standards is made compulsory by the Central Government under various considerations viz. public interest, protection of human, animal or plant health, safety of environment, prevention of unfair trade practices and national security. For such products, the Central Government directs mandatory use of Standard Mark under a License or Certificate of Conformity (CoC) from BIS through issuance of QCOs.

After the date of commencement of the QCO, no person shall manufacture, import, distribute, sell, hire, lease, store or exhibit for sale any product(s) covered under the QCO without a Standard Mark except under a valid License or CoC from BIS.

It is also informed vide the above memorandum that a copy of the above Draft QCOs is also available on the website of Ministry of Textiles under the link https://texmin.nic.in/sites/default/files/Draft%20QCOs.pdf for seeking views / comments / suggestions of all the concerned stakeholders.

All entrepreneurs are requested to visit the website of Ministry of Textiles in the above mentioned link and offer their views in implementation of above QCO before 20.07.2023. Coir Board also requesting Ministry for the phase wise implementation of QCO considering the fact that there are a number of micro/small and medium entrepreneurs who are manufacturing coir floor furnishings. Coir Board also requesting for permitting the testing of the above products

under the common testing facility of Board than the individual entrepreneurs to set up the laboratory.

This is issued with the approval of Chairman, Coir Board vide file orders dt 18.07.2023

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To:

All Regd. Exporters / Manufacturers of coir floor furnishings All Coir Exporters' Associations All Coir Manufacturers' Associations

Copy to: All Regional Offices of Coir Board

Encl: Copy of the office memorandum and Draft QCO

No.6/1/2021-R&D(Pt.3) Government of India Ministry of Textiles

New Delhi, Udyog Bhawan Dated: 6001y 2023

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Draft Quality Control Orders in respect of Floor Coverings - regarding

Ministry of Textiles has prepared a Draft Quality Control Order in respect of Floor Coverings in order to bring it under mandatory BIS certification keeping in view human safety, public interest and for ensuring optimum quality of product.

2. It is requested that the views / comments / suggestions on the draft Quality Control Order (Copy enclosed) may be provided to the Ministry latest by 20.07.2023 failing which it will be presumed that there are no comments in this regard and further action will be taken.

3. A copy of Draft QCOs is also available on the website of Ministry of Textiles under the link https://texmin.nic.in/sites/default/files/Draft%20QCOs.pdf for seeking views / comments / suggestions of all the concerned stakeholders.

4. This issues with the approval of competent authority.

(G.K. Rajnish) Under Secretary to the Govt. of India Tel. 2306 3837 email : <u>gk.rajnish@nic.in</u>

Encl: As above

To:

- 1. Director General, Bureau of Indian Standards
- 2. Secretary, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
- 3. Secretary, Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises
- 4. Secretary, Ministry of Science & Technology
- 5. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- 6. Secretary, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry
- 7. Secretary, Textile Committee
- 8. Executive Director, Central Wool Development Board
- 9. Chairman, Khadi and Village Industries Commission
- 10. Development Commissioner (Handicrafts)
- 11. Chairman, Coir Board
- 12. Chairman, Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) Department of revenue, Ministry of Finance
- 13. Textile Commissioner, Office of Textile Commissioner
- 14. Jute Commissioner, Office of Jute Commissioner,
- 15. Secretary General, Quality Council of India

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16. CEO, NABL, Quality Council of India, 17. CEO, National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies (NABCB), QCI

Copy for information: PPS to JS (RS)

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[To be published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (ii)]

Government of India Ministry of Textiles

Order

New Delhi, the June, 2023.

S.O.—(E).—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-sections (1) and (2) of section 16 read with section 17 and sub-section (3) of section 25 of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016 (11 of 2016), the Central Government is of the opinion that it is necessary so to do in the public interest and after consulting the Bureau of Indian Standards, hereby makes the following Order, namely:-

 Short title and commencement.- (1) This Order may be called the Floor Coverings (Quality Control) Order, 2023.

(2) It shall come into force immediately after one hundred and eighty days from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

- Application. –This Order shall apply to goods or article specified in column (2) of the Schedule annexed to this Order, but shall not apply to such goods or article meant for export.
- 3. Compulsory use of Standard Mark. –The goods or article specified in column(2) of the said Schedule shall conform to the corresponding Indian Standard specified in column (3) thereof and shall 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.
- Certification and enforcement authority. The Bureau of Indian Standards shall be the certifying and enforcing authority in respect of the goods or article specified in column (2) of the said Schedule.
- Penalty for contravention. Any person who contravenes the provisions of this Order shall be punishable in accordance with the provisions of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016 (11 of 2016).

SI. No.	Goods or article (2)	Indian Standard (IS) (3)	Title of Indian Standard (4)
2	Textile Floor Covering — Carpet Tiles Made of Polyamide (Nylon) Yarn	IS 17479:2020	Textile Floor Covering — Carpet Tiles Made of Polyamide (Nylon) Yarn — Specification
3	Textiles Automotive – Tufted Floor Covering	IS 17757:2022	Textiles Automotive – Tufted Floor Covering - Specification

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4	Textiles Automotive - Non-woven Carpet Mat	IS 17758:2022	Textiles Automotive - Non-wover Carpet Mat - Specification
5	Coir Mats	IS 11420 (Part 1 to 9):2020	Specification for Coir Mats
6	Coir Mattings mourzouks and carpets	IS 12503 (Part 1 to 6):2020	Coir Mattings mourzouks and carpets first revision
7	PVC Latex Tufted Coir Mats	IS 17734:2022	PVC Latex Tufted Coir Mats - Specification
8	Textile Floor Covering - Hand Tufted Carpets	IS 5884:2020	Textile Floor Covering – Hand Tufted Carpets - Specification

Note: For the purposes of the Schedule, it is clarified that the latest version of Indian Standards established and published by the Bureau of Indian Standards from time to time in accordance with the provisions of clause (17) of section 2 of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016 (11 of 2016), shall apply from the date of such publication.

[No.6/1/2021-R&D (Pt.10)]

(Rajeev Saxena) Joint Secretary to the Government of India