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BIS Mark Footwear Testing Solutions

BIS Certification

BIS on shoes is a mandatory compliance standard under Indian law for both, domestic and foreign manufacturers. As per quality control orders by the Government of India, 29 footwear products, components and materials fall under compulsory ISI mark.



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Indian importers and global shoe brands must comply with BIS certification for shoes before placing the goods in Indian market, as well as for goods and materials imported for further footwear production.

BIS certification on import of shoes stands for the mandatory product certification under the Bureau of Indian Standards. The Government of India has therefore called for compulsory compliance of all imported shoes with the designated IS standards, with structural, chemical, and performance testing as must.



ISI Mark



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BIS certification, issued under the FMCS (Foreign Manufacturers Certification Scheme), provides the Standard Mark or ISI Mark to overseas factories. This certification is essential for the clearance of consignments through Indian ports.

Objective

“BIS approval is a guarantee of quality, safety, and trust in entire supply chain.”

The BIS Certification safeguards Indian consumers by preventing substandard products from entering the market. For footwear manufacturers, it ensures that your products comply with Indian Standards (IS) for chemical safety, durability, structural integrity, and the environmental impact of materials used.

Your challenges

With the enforcement of new Quality Control Orders (QCO), BIS certification has become mandatory for all footwear imports into India. Shipments without valid certification risk being held at ports, leading to costly delays and penalties.

Even established brands have faced product recalls and reputational setbacks due to non-compliance or incorrect use of the ISI mark.

To access the Indian market, manufacturers and importers must ensure their products are tested in BIS-recognized, ISO/IEC 17025:2017-accredited laboratories and meet Indian Standards (IS) for quality and safety.

In today’s regulatory environment, no ISI mark means no market entry - compliance is not optional, it’s essential.

BIS testing solutions

TÜV SÜD's state-of-the-art labs and technical experts help to support the growing demand and facilitate advanced, ready-to-use BIS LRS testing solutions for the following products, ensuring fast and reliable certification support:

Title of Indian Standard	Indian Standard
Canvas Shoes, Rubber Sole - Specification	IS 3735: 1996
Canvas Boots, Rubber Sole - Specification	IS 3736: 1995
Sports Footwear - Part 1 General Purpose	IS 15844 (Part 1): 2023
Sports Footwear - Part 2 Performance Sports Footwear	IS 15844 (Part 2): 2023
Sports Footwear - Part 3 Professional Sports Footwear	IS 15844 (Part 3): 2024
Shoes - Specification Part 1 Shoes for Services	IS 17043 (Part 1): 2024
Shoes - Specification Part 2 Shoes for General Purpose	IS 17043 (Part 2): 2024
Molded Rubber Outsoles - Specification	IS 5676: 1995
Microcellular Rubber Sheets for Outsoles - Specification	IS 6664: 1992
Molded PVC Outsoles - Specification	IS 6719: 1972
Sandal and Slippers - Specification	IS 6721: 2023
Hawai Chappal - Specification	IS 10702: 2023
Polyurethane Outsoles - Specification	IS 13893: 1994

Why choose TÜV SÜD?

A global leader in testing and certification, TÜV SÜD's team of multidisciplinary experts has in-depth experience across most consumer product categories. We offer extensive industry expertise to support our customers in safety testing and meeting laws, directives and standards on safety and quality.

By partnering with us, you gain access to expert-guided BIS testing services and comprehensive support throughout your product's lifecycle.

Your business benefits

Ensure product quality - through performance testing in accordance with various global standards.

Win customer confidence - by conducting independent tests to provide an assurance of safety and reliability, thereby enhancing your brand reputation.

Gain a competitive edge - by working with TÜV SÜD, a globally trusted provider of premium testing services.

Footwear categories covered under BIS QCO - Footwear made from leather and other materials

Goods or articles	Indian Standard	Title of Indian Standard
Leather safety boots and shoes	IS 1989 (Part 1): 1986	Specification for leather safety boots and shoes Part 1 for miners
Leather safety boots and shoes	IS 1989 (Part 2): 1986	Specification for leather safety boots and shoes Part 2 for heavy metal industries
Canvas Shoes Rubber Sole	IS 3735: 1996	Canvas Shoes, Rubber Sole - Specification
Canvas Boots Rubber Sole	IS 3736: 1995	Canvas Boots, Rubber Sole - Specification
Safety Boots for Miners	IS 3976: 2018	Safety Boots for Miners - Specification
Leather safety footwear having direct molded rubber sole	IS 11226: 1993	Leather safety footwear having direct molded rubber sole - Specification
Leather safety and protective footwear with direct molded Polymeric sole	IS 14544: 2022	Leather safety and protective footwear with direct molded Polymeric Sole - Specification
Sports Footwear	IS 15844 (Part 1): 2023	Sports Footwear - Part 1 General Purpose
Sports Footwear	IS 15844 (Part 2): 2023	Sports Footwear - Part 2 Performance Sports Footwear
Sports Footwear	IS 15844 (Part 3): 2024	Sports Footwear - Part 3 Professional Sports Footwear
High ankle tactical boots with PU - Rubber sole	IS 17012: 2018	High ankle tactical boots with PU - Rubber Sole - Specification
Anti-riot shoes	IS 17037: 2018	Anti-riot shoes - Specification
Shoes for Services and for General Purpose	IS 17043 (Part 1): 2024	Shoes - Specification Part 1 Shoes for Services
Shoes for Services and for General Purpose	IS 17043 (Part 2): 2024	Shoes - Specification Part 2 Shoes for General Purpose

Footwear categories covered under BIS QCO - Footwear made from rubber and polymeric materials

Goods or articles	Indian Standard	Title of Indian Standard
Industrial and protective rubber knee and ankle boots	IS 5557: 2004	Industrial and protective rubber knee and ankle boots - Specification
All rubber gum boots and ankle boots	IS 5557 (Part 2): 2018	All rubber gum boots and ankle boots: Part 2 occupational purposes
Molded Rubber Outsoles	IS 5676: 1995	Molded Rubber Unit Outsoles - Specification
Microcellular Rubber Sheets for Outsoles	IS 6664: 1992	Microcellular Rubber Sheets for Outsoles - Specification
Molded PVC Outsoles	IS 6719: 1972	Molded PVC Unit Outsoles - Specification
Sandal and Slippers	IS 6721: 2023	Sandal and Slippers - Specification
Hawai Chappal	IS 10702: 2023	Hawai Chappal - Specification
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) industrial boots	IS 12254: 2021	Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) industrial boots - Specification
Polyurethane Outsoles	IS 13893: 1994	Polyurethane Unit Outsoles - Specification
Unlined molded rubber boots	IS 13995: 1995	Unlined molded rubber boots - Specification
Molded plastics footwear - Lined or Unlined polyurethane boots for general industrial use	IS 16645: 2018	Molded plastics footwear - Lined or Unlined polyurethane boots for general industrial use - Specification
Footwear for men and women for municipal scavenging work	IS 16994: 2018	Footwear for men and women for municipal scavenging work

List of PPE footwear categories covered under BIS QCO

Footwear Category	IS Code	BIS Title
Safety Footwear	IS 15298 (Part 2): 2016	Personal Protective Equipment - Part 2: Safety Footwear
Protective Footwear	IS 15298 (Part 3): 2019	Personal Protective Equipment - Part 3: Protective Footwear
Occupational Footwear	IS 15298 (Part 4): 2017	Personal Protective Equipment - Part 4: Occupational Footwear





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TÜV SÜD is a trusted partner of choice for safety, security and sustainability solutions. It specialises in testing, certification, auditing and advisory services. Through more than 28,000 employees across over 1,000 locations, the company adds value to customers and partners by enabling market access and managing risks. By anticipating technological developments and facilitating change, TÜV SÜD inspires trust in a physical and digital world to create a safer and more sustainable future.

Related services

TÜV SÜD provides the following related services:

- Global Market Access (GMA)
- Chemical analysis & testing
- Social audits
- Pre shipment & post shipment inspection
- REACH testing & certification

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