

**भारतीय मानक ब्यूरो**  
**(केंद्रीय मुहर विभाग III)**

हमारा संदर्भ : सी एम डी - III/16 : IS 17631

27 सितम्बर 2022

विषय : पुनरीक्षित आई एस 17631:2022 के अनुपालन के लिए दिशानिर्देश ।

इसमें ऊपर उल्लिखित विषय का संदर्भ है।

सभी शाखा कार्यालय से आग्रह है कि गाइडलाईन का अनुपालन तत्काल प्रभाव से सुनिश्चित करें।

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**BUREAU OF INDIAN STANDARDS**  
**(Central Marks Department-III)**

**Our Ref: CMD-III/16 : 17631**

**27 Sep 2022**

**Subject: Guidelines for implementation of revised IS 17631:2022 - 'Work Chairs'**

This has reference to the subject mentioned above.

BOs may kindly ensure implementation of the guidelines with immediate effect.

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**Head (CMD-III)**

**Circulated to: All ROs/BOs**

## CENTRAL MARKS DEPARTMENT III

Our Ref: CMD-III/16 : 17631

27 Sep 2022

**Subject: Guidelines for implementation of revised IS 17631:2022 - ‘Work Chairs’**

1. IS 3499 (Part 1):1985 & IS 3499 (Part 2):1985 have been amalgamated and revised as IS 17631:2022 and has been published. The last date for implementation of the revised Standard is **21 March 2023** after which the old Standard shall stand withdrawn.
2. All BOs shall inform the Applicants and Licensees under their jurisdiction about implementation of the revised Standard **within a week of issuance of these guidelines**.
3. The significant changes in the revised Standard as listed in the Table is given for the purpose of general guidance. BOs shall ensure that the product conforms to all the requirements, as applicable, as per the revised Standard.

Clause	Requirement
foreword	Requirements of material conformity have been deleted
4	Requirements of design and workmanship have been modified
5	Dimensional requirements have been modified
4.3	Requirement of castors or wheels conformity as per IS 17524 has been specified
Foreword	Scratch hardness, Pressure test, flexibility and adhesion, stripping test and corrosion tests have been deleted
9	Marking requirements have been modified. Design/Model number to be declared by the manufacturer.
6.1	Surface performance tests on rigid surface materials have been added which are given below:  Resistance to mechanical damage, pencil hardness, Resistance to wet heat, Resistance to dry heat, Resistance to marking by cold liquids, Resistance to marking by cold oils and fats & Adhesive performance
6.2	Surface performance tests for fabric and leather (synthetic and natural) materials have been added which are given below:  Breaking load, Elongation at break, Tear strength, Colour fastness to light, Colour fastness to rubbing, Colour fastness to perspiration, Colour fastness to water, Pilling resistance, Coating adhesion strength, Seam slippage, Resistance to damage by flexing, Abrasion resistance, Bursting strength, Resistance to cold, Flexing endurance, Finish adhesion, Colour fastness to artificial light, Colour fastness to water spotting & Water vapour permeability
7	Safety requirements for work chairs have been added which are given below:  Stability test, Static Load test, Durability test

4. Consequent upon the issuance of the revised Standard, existing SIT in the Product Manuals for IS 3499 (Part 1):1985 & IS 3499 (Part 2):1985 have been revised and included in the revised Product Manual as Doc: **PM/IS 17631/1/Sep 2022**.
5. The guidelines for implementation of the revised Standard is given below:

**A. LICENSEES:**

- (i) All Licensees shall implement the revised Standard by **21 March 2023**. Any difficulty in implementation shall be brought to the notice of CMD III at the earliest but in any case, at least 30 days before the last date of implementation. BOs shall ensure that no Licences are under operation as per the old Standard after **21 March 2023**. The status of implementation of the revised Standard shall be confirmed by Head (BO) to CMD-III within two weeks of the last date of concurrent running.
- (ii) As the name of product has been modified, materials have been deleted and Design/ Model Number is included in the scope, the scope of existing licensees may be reviewed and endorsements may be issued accordingly.
- (iii) Marking Fee of the new Standard, IS 17631:2022 will be fixed soon.
- (iv) Licensees shall submit evidence of conformity to the additional/modified requirements through In-house/Independent Test Reports or Test Certificates, as applicable. Verification of implementation of the revised Standard shall be done through special surveillance visit, which shall be completed within one month from the date of confirmation of implementation by the manufacturer. During such visit, additional test facilities and manufacturing capabilities, if applicable, shall be verified and reported.
- (v) If the Licensee fails to complete all actions by **21 March 2023**, it shall be dealt with as per the prevailing guidelines.

**B. APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT OF LICENCE:**

- (i) Existing Applications where Sample has been submitted in the Laboratory/Test Report has been issued by the Laboratory may be processed as per the old Standard. However, if the Applicant is desirous of considering the Application as per the revised Standard, a declaration may be obtained from the Applicant to that effect and the Application may be processed accordingly. An undertaking shall also be obtained from such Applicants that if the sample fails in new test requirements, Licence will not be granted by BIS as per the old version.
- (ii) Applications which are recorded henceforth may be processed as per the old Standard or the revised Standard. Processing of Applications as per the old Standard shall be permitted only upto **21 March 2023** and for such cases, Applicant shall give a declaration that they will implement the revised Standard by **21 March 2023**.
- (iii) Beyond **21 March 2023** no Licence shall be granted as per the old Standard.

**C. CHANGE IN SCOPE OF LICENCE:**

- (i) For change in scope of licence, the relevant provisions as given above for Applicants shall apply.

(ii) However, processing of such applications for change in scope of licence as per the old Standard shall be permitted only upto the date of implementation of the revised Standard or upto **21 March 2023** whichever is earlier.

6. The above guidelines come into force with immediate effect.

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