केन्द्रीय मुहर विभाग –2

संदर्भ -: के मू वी-2/16: 16709 13 11 2026

विषय: **IS 16709: 2017 के amendment no. 4 के अनुपालन के दिशानिर्देश।**

यह उपरोक्त विषय के संदर्भ में है।

सक्षम अधिकारी द्वारा अनुमोदित दिशानिर्देश अनुपालन हेतु संलग्न है।

अनोरोध है की दिशानिर्देशों का तत्काल प्रभाव से अनुपालन सुनिश्चित करें।

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CENTRAL MARKS DEPARTMENT-2

Our Ref: CMD-2/16: 16709 13 11 2026

Subject: Guidelines for implementation of amendment no. 4 to IS 16709: 2017.

This has reference to the subject mentioned above.

The Competent Authority has approved the enclosed Guidelines for implementation.

It is requested to ensure the implementation of the above Guidelines with immediate effect.

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CENTRAL MARKS DEPARTMENT-2

Our Ref:CMD-2/16: 16709 Date: 13 11 2026

Subject: Guidelines for implementation of amendment no. 4 to IS 16709: 2017 (Textiles — Polypropylene (PP) Woven, Laminated, Block Bottom Valve Sacks for Packaging of 50 kg Cement— Specification).

1. Amendment no. 4 to IS 16709: 2017 has been published. The last date of implementation of the amendment is **14th March 2027**.

2. The significant changes in the standard through this amendment as listed in the Table are given for the purpose of general guidance.

Clause No.	Change
5.4	Below has been substituted for the existing: "If required by the buyer, the woven and laminated tubular fabric, before conversion into sacks, may be further laminated on the outer side with reverse-printed biaxially oriented polypropylene (BOPP) film having a minimum mass per unit area of 15 g/m².”
Table 1, Sl. No. 4	The requirement of "Mass of sack" for sacks with BOPP film has been explicitly defined and its test method has been specified in Annex-G.
Annex-G	The test method of determination of the mass of sack has been introduced.

3. Consequent upon the issuance of the amendment, the existing product manual has also been revised which is being circulated separately **(PM/16709/3 November 2026).**

4. The guidelines for implementation of the amendment are given below.

A. LICENSEES:

i. All Licensees shall implement the amendment by **14th March 2027**. Any difficulty in implementation shall be brought to the notice of CMD 2 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 IS 16709: 2017 without the amendment No. 4 after **14th March 2027**. The status of implementation of the amendment shall be confirmed by Head (BO) to CMD-2 within two weeks of the last date of concurrent running.

ii. Licensees shall submit evidence of conformity to the modified requirements through In-house/Independent Test Reports. Verification of implementation of the amendment, wherever required, shall be done through a surveillance visit within 30 days of confirmation of implementation of the amendment to standard by licensee**.**

iii. If the Licensee fails to complete all actions by **14th March 2027** 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 without considering the amendment no. 4. However, if the Applicant is desirous of considering the Application as per the amended Standard, a declaration may be obtained from the Applicant to

that effect and the Application may be processed accordingly. An undertaking from such Applicants shall also be obtained that if the sample fails while considering the provisions of the amended Standard, Licence will not be granted by BIS without considering the amendment no. 4.

ii. Applications which are recorded henceforth may be processed with or without considering the amendment no. 4. Processing of Applications without considering the amendment No. 4 shall be permitted only up to **13th March 2027** and for such cases Applicant shall give a declaration that they will implement the amended Standard by **14th March 2027**.

iii. Beyond **14th March 2027** no Licence shall be granted without considering the amendment no. 4.

C. <u>CHANGE IN SCOPE OF LICENCE</u>:

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 without considering the Amendment No. 4 shall be permitted only up to the date of implementation of the amendment by the licensee or up to **14th March 2027** whichever is earlier.

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

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