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ECO CRITERIA FOR FINISHED LEATHER — SPECIFICATION

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FOREWORD

This Indian Standard was adopted by the Bureau of Indian Standards, after the draft finalized by the Leather Sectional Committee had been approved by the Chemical Division Council.

The environmental impact of leather processing has been a matter of concern among the users as well as in the leather manufacturers. With the growing awareness of environmental aspects, the concept of environment-friendly leather is becoming more and more popular.

Keeping in view the above, the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India has decided to include finished leather under the ECO Mark Scheme. So far, quality parameters as per Indian Standards have been an inherent part of the ECO Mark criteria. In case of leather it has been felt that, since this is a product, which is traded internationally to a large extent, conformance to Indian Standard may not be relevant most of the time, as in such cases, finished leather is made as per the buyers requirement.

Considering this fact, the ECO Mark Steering Committee decided to modify the existing practice and in this standard, conformance to the buyer's quality requirement has been prescribed to be through self-declaration in case the same doesn't call for conformity to the relevant Indian Standards. In such cases also, for the purpose of certification, the Bureau will certify only the conformity to ECO criteria laid down in this standard and not the quality parameters.

There is no ISO standard on the subject. This standard has been prepared based on the Gazette Notification No. 58 dated 27 January 2000 issued by the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India.

There exists a separate standard, IS 14816: 2000 'Leather — Method of tests for ECO criteria'.

The composition of the technical committee responsible for the formulation of this standard is given in Annex B.

For the purpose of deciding whether a particular requirement of this standard is complied with, the final value, observed or calculated, expressing the result of a test or analysis, shall be rounded off in accordance with IS 2:1960 'Rules for rounding off numerical values (revised)'. The number of significant places retained in the rounded off value should be the same as that of the specified value in this standard.

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1 SCOPE

This standard prescribes requirements for ECO-friendly criteria for finished leather.

1.1 This standard does not prescribe the quality parameters for finished leather.

2 REFERENCES

The Indian Standards listed below contain provisions, which through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards indicated below:

IS No.	Title	
1640 : 1960	Glossary of terms relating to hides, skins and leather	
5868 : 1983	Methods of sampling for leather	
14575 : 1999	Determination of pentachloro-	

IS No. Title

phenol (PCP) in leather-Methods

of test

14816: 2000 Leather — Method of tests for

ECO criteria

3 TERMINOLOGY

For the purpose of this standard the definitions given in IS 1640 shall apply.

4 REQUIREMENTS

4.1 General Requirements

The manufacturers shall produce the consent clearance as per the provisions of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 along with the authorization if required under the Environment Protection Act, 1986 to the certifying agency while applying for ECO Mark certification.

4.2 Product Specific Requirements

The product shall meet ECO criteria as given in Table 1.

Table 1 Product Specific Requirements for ECO Criteria for Finished Leather

Sl No.	Parameters	Limits	Methods of Test as per
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
i)	pH of aqueous extract of leather	Not less than 3.5 and in case it is less than 3.5 the difference of pH on dilution by a factor of 10 (differential number), shall not be more than 0.6	• LC: 1 of IS 14816
ii)	Formaldehyde, mg/kg, Max	200	LC: 3 of IS 14816
iii)	Pentachlorophenol (PCP), mg/kg, Max	5	IS 14575
iv)	Coupled amines released from azo-dyes (sum parameters), mg/kg, Max	30	LC: 4 of IS 14816
v)	Hexavalent chromium, mg/kg, Max	3	LC: 2 of IS 14816

NOTES

¹ The ECO Mark for leather certifies that only ECO related parameters are assured and the quality related parameters are through self-declaration for complying buyer's requirement.

² The list of Aryl Amines released azo-dyes is given in Annex A.

5 PACKING AND MARKING

5.1 Packing

The material used for product packaging shall be recyclable or reusable or biodegradable.

5.2 Marking

- **5.2.1** Each package shall be marked with the following information:
 - a) Name of manufacturer and recognized trademark, if any;
 - b) Type of leather (Finished Leather IS 1640);
 - c) Number of pieces of leather;
 - d) Total area and mass; and
 - e) Month and year of manufacture.
- **5.2.1.1** The packaging shall also display the criteria of labelling of the product environment-friendly.

- 5.2.2 Finished leathers may be marked with the Standard Mark (that is ECO Mark only and the quality-related parameters are through self-declaration and conforming to buyer's requirement.
- 5.2.3 The use of the Standard Mark is governed by the provisions of the *Bureau of Indian Standards Act*, 1986 and the Rules and Regulations made thereunder. The details of conditions under which the licence for the use of the Standard Mark may be granted to manufacturers or producers may be obtained from the Bureau of Indian Standards.

6 SAMPLING

For the purpose of verifying conformance of the product to the requirements of this specification, finished leather shall be sampled in accordance with IS 5868.

ANNEX A

(Table 1, Note 2)

LIST OF ARYL AMINES

- a) 4-Aminodiphenyl
- b) Benzidine
- c) 4-Chloro-o-toluidine
- d) 2-Naphthylamine
- e) p-Chloraniline
- f) 2,4-Diaminoanisole
- g) 4,4-Diaminodiphenylmethane
- h) 3.3-Dichlorobenzidine
- j) 3,3-Dimethoxy-benzidine

- k) 3,3-Dimethylbenzidine
- m) 3,3-Dimethyl-4,4-diaminodiphenylmethane
- n) p-Cresidin (2-Methoxy 5-methylaniline)
- p) 4,4-Methylene-bis (2-chloraniline)
- q) 4,4-Oxydianiline
- r) 4,4-Thiodianiline
- s) o-Toluidine
- t) 2.4-Toluenediamine
- u) 2,4,5-Trimethylaniline

ANNEX B

(Foreword)

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