

BUREAU OF INDIAN STANDARDS

(Central Marks Department - III)

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Subject : General grouping for all types of steel tubes for grant of licence/inclusion of additional sizes/classes/grades/types, etc.

Number of Indian Standards are available on Steel Tubes. In order to establish a uniform procedure for coverage of various sizes/classes/grades/types of steel tubes while considering grant of licences and also for inclusion of additional varieties in existing licences, the following procedure shall be followed :

GRANT OF LICENCE - Most of the tube makers are manufacturing pipes of the sizes between 15 to 150 mm Nominal Bore. As regards different classes (if applicable) of pipes, there is difference of thickness requirements only. Three samples preferably of minimum intermediate and maximum size (One from each class, if applicable) from each type and grade intended to be covered under the licence shall be tested for all the requirements of the specification.

INCLUSION – For the purpose of inclusion of additional sizes of tubes in the existing licences, one sample (preferably maximum for higher sizes or minimum for lower sizes intended to be covered) shall be tested for all the requirements of the specification.. Similarly for inclusion of additional classes/grades of tubes, one sample from each class/grade shall be tested. However, for inclusion of additional types, procedure as given above for grant of licence shall be followed.

It shall, however, be ensured that the applicant/licensee has got complete manufacturing as well as testing facilities for the sizes/classes/grades/types of tubes required to be covered in the licence.

On the question of grades, samples be drawn from highest grade material and the recommendations may include lower grades also.

After the grant of licence it may be ensured that samples of all sizes, types and grades covered in the licence without testing are drawn one by one and tested in independent labs at the earliest.

It supersedes the grouping for steel tubes for IS 1161, IS 1239(Pt.1) issued vide CMD note ref. CMD/16:1239 dt. 1980 02 27.

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