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Government of India Ministry of Commerce and Industry Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade ORDER New Delhi, the------,

New Delhi, the----2023

S.O.-----(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-sections (1) and (2) of section 16 read with section 17 and sub-section (3) of section 25 of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016 (11 of 2016), the Central Government, after consulting the Bureau of Indian Standards, is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient so to do in the public interest, hereby makes the following Order, namely:-

1. Short title and commencement.- (1) This Order may be called The WeldingRods and Electrodes (Quality Control) Order, 2023.

(2) It shall come into force with effect from six months from the date of publication of this notification:

Provided that for Micro and Small Enterprises, as defined under The Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006 (27 of 2006), it shall come into force with effect from twelve months from the date of publication of this notification.

2. Compulsory use of Standard Marks.- Goods or articles specified in the column (1) of the Table below shall conform to the corresponding Indian Standard specified in column (2) of the said Table and shall bear the Standard Mark under a license from the Bureau as per Scheme-1 of Schedule-II of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018:

Provided that nothing in this Order shall apply to goods or articles manufactured domestically meant for export:

Provided further that nothing in this Order shall apply to goods or articles manufactured domestically by an enterprise, registered under "Udyam portal" of the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, wherein the investment in plant and machinery or equipment at original cost does not exceed twenty-five lakh and the turnover does not exceed two crore rupees for the previous financial year as certified by a Chartered Accountant shall be exempted from implementation of the relevant Quality Control Order.

- **3. Certification and enforcing authority.-** The Bureau shall be the certifying and enforcing authority for the goods or articles specified in the column (1) of the said Table.
- **4. Penalty for contravention.** Any person who contravenes the provisions of this Order shall be punishable under the provisions of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016.

Goods or articles	Indian Standard	Title of Indian Standard
(1)	(2)	(3)
Welding Rods and	814:2004	Covered electrodes for manual
Electrodes		metal arc welding of carbon andcarbon
		manganese steel
	6419:1996	Welding rods and bare electrodesfor
		gas shielded arc welding of
		structural steel

TABLE

Note: For the purposes of this Table, the latest version of Indian Standards including the amendments issues thereof, as notified by the Bureau of Indian Standards from time to time shall apply from the date of such notification.

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Joint Secretary