

**CENTRAL MARKS DEPARTMENT-III**

Our ref: CMD-III/16: IS 8737

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**Subject: Identification of Critical/Non-critical parameters of Indian Standards: Guidance list of non-critical parameters of Indian standard – IS 8737- Valve fittings for use with LPG Cylinders of more than 5 lit Water capacity**

This has reference to the subject mentioned above.

2. In this regard, the guidance list of non-critical parameters of Indian standard IS 8737: 2017 have been prepared and is given below for guidance of BOs while dealing with non-conformity of samples of the product drawn during factory and market surveillance by BIS.

Guidance list of non-critical parameters for “Valve fittings for use with LPG Cylinders of more than 5 lit Water capacity” as per IS 8737: 2017

S.N.	Parameter identified as Non-critical	Clause	Prescribed Requirements as per Standard
1	Markings	Cl. 10	Each valve shall be permanently marked with the following information: a) Quarter and year of manufacture, b) Manufacturer’s identification mark, c) Number of this standard; and

3. All other parameters, excluding the above parameters, are to be treated as critical parameter.

4. It is re-iterated that the above list is for guidance only.

However, while dealing with non-conformity of a specific sample, in case BO is of the view that a particular parameter identified as critical, may be treated as non-critical parameter, the same may be considered as non-critical with approval of BO (Head) with reasons recorded for that specific situation. Similarly, while dealing with non-conformity of a specific sample, in case BO is of the view that a particular parameter identified as non-critical, may be treated as critical parameter, the same may be considered as critical with approval of BO (Head) with reasons recorded for that specific situation.

All such deviations shall be informed to CMD-III through DDGR.

5. Further, in general, if any change in the above classification of non-critical/ critical parameters is felt necessary by a BO, the proposal for the same may be forwarded to CMD-III through DDGR with technical justification.

6. It may be noted that the categorization into critical/non-critical parameters is solely for the purpose of operation of BIS Certification while dealing with the non-conformity of samples drawn by BIS during factory and market surveillance. While communicating any non-conformity to the licensee, BIS shall not communicate whether the non-conformity is in a critical/non-critical requirement. For manufacturers holding BIS licence, compliance to all applicable requirements as per the Indian standard IS 8737:2017 shall be mandatory and all requirements to be treated as equally significant by the manufacturers.

7. The above guidelines are for BIS internal use only.
8. This is for information of all BOs.

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