

IS 868 - Sealing Wax

The Indian Standard **IS 868** specifies the quality requirements for **sealing wax**, which is widely used for official, legal, and postal purposes to secure documents and packages. The standard defines key quality attributes to ensure durability, adhesion, and usability of sealing wax in different conditions.

IS 868 specifies requirements for the composition and appearance of sealing wax, including its consistency, smoothness, capability of taking impressions and color, which should remain consistent for identification purposes. Performance standards cover attributes like capability of taking impressions, which is crucial for creating a secure and durable seal without excessive brittleness or melting under normal conditions. Testing requirements include assessments of the wax's stability, adhesion, keeping qualities, ensuring it provides a strong and tamper-evident seal suitable for a range of applications.

IS 868 mandates clear labeling, marking for easy identification of name and grade of material, net mass, manufacturer details, batch no and date of manufacturing for traceability. By following **IS 868**, manufacturers can ensure that sealing wax meets consistent standards of performance and reliability, supporting its function as an effective tool for document and package security.