## IS 302: PART 1: 2024 Safety of household and similar electrical appliances: Part 1 General Requirements

The standard "Safety of household and similar electrical appliances: Part 1 General Requirements" (IS 302 Part 1: 2024, IEC 60335-1: 2020) outlines the safety requirements for electrical appliances intended for household and similar purposes. It is designed to ensure that these appliances operate safely and reliably, minimizing the risk of accidents and hazards to users.

This standard specifies the general safety requirements and constructional details for household and similar electrical appliances, focusing on electrical and mechanical construction aspects that affect safety, durability, and reliability during operation. It covers appliances with a rated voltage not exceeding 250 V for single-phase and 480 V for other appliances, including those powered by direct current and battery-operated appliances.

## Parameters expected by consumers in the product:

- Electrical Safety: Protection against electric shock, short circuits, and electrical failures.
- Mechanical Safety: Durability of mechanical parts and prevention of mechanical hazards (e.g., moving parts, sharp edges).
- Thermal Safety: Protection against overheating and fire hazards, including adequate thermal cut-offs.
- Moisture Resistance: Ability to withstand exposure to moisture and liquids without compromising safety.
- User Accessibility: Safe access to controls and components, ensuring that users cannot inadvertently touch live parts.
- **Durability and Reliability:** Assurance that the appliance will function safely over its intended lifespan without failure.
- Clear Markings and Instructions: Clear labeling of safety instructions, warnings, and operational guidelines for users.
- Testing and Compliance: Evidence that the appliance has been tested against recognized safety standards.

## This standard addresses safety expectations in following ways:

- Comprehensive Requirements: The standard includes detailed requirements for electrical insulation, mechanical strength, and thermal performance, ensuring that appliances are built to withstand normal use and potential hazards.
- **Testing Protocols:** It outlines specific testing protocols to verify compliance with safety requirements, ensuring that appliances meet rigorous safety standards before they are marketed.
- **Design Considerations:** The standard addresses design aspects, such as the arrangement of electrical connections and the construction of enclosures, to prevent access to live parts and reduce the risk of electric shock.
- Moisture and Thermal Resistance: It specifies tests for moisture resistance and thermal safety, ensuring that appliances can operate safely in various environmental conditions.
- User -Centric Focus: By requiring clear instructions and markings, the standard prioritizes user safety and promotes proper usage of appliances.
- **Updates and Revisions:** The standard is regularly revised to incorporate the latest safety technologies and practices, ensuring ongoing relevance and effectiveness in addressing consumer safety concerns.

In summary, IS 302: PART 1: 2024 provides a robust framework for the safety of household and similar Electrical Appliances, addressing the key concerns of consumers and ensuring that products are safe for everyday use.

BIS standard mark on the product ensures that it conforms to IS 302 : PART 1 : 2024 and guarantees reliable, high-quality and safety of household and similar electrical appliances .