1. These regulations may be cited as the Jewellery (Use of the State Mark by Dealers) Regulations 2008.

2. In these regulations-


3. A dealer who manufactures jewellery may, under section 9 of the Act, request authorisation from the Director to apply the State mark on the jewellery manufactured by him.

4. A dealer who requests authorisation under regulation 3 shall -

(a) make an application to the Director, in such form as he may approve; and

(b) pay an application fee of 3,000 rupees.

5. (1) On receipt of an application under regulation 4, the Director shall carry out an audit on the business premises of the applicant including any workshop, in order to ascertain whether quality assurance procedures including alloying procedures are applied during manufacture and to ensure that precious metal articles have the required standard of fineness.

(2) Wherever jewellery is manufactured, stored or displayed, the Director-

(a) shall carry out inspections; and

(b) may collect samples of alloys, jewellery or both for further testing.

6. Where the Director is satisfied that the procedures specified under regulation 5 are applied, he may authorise a dealer to apply the State mark on such terms and conditions as he may determine.

7. The Director may carry out such random or periodical tests as he thinks necessary in order to ensure that jewellery marked with the State mark is in conformity with the required standard of fineness.

8. A dealer shall ensure that, after jewellery has been controlled and marked-

(a) any further working of the jewellery shall not result in a lowering of its standard of fineness, or in a change of its composition; and

(b) both the sponsor’s mark and the State mark remain legible.
9. A dealer shall keep updated records, as approved by the Director, of all jewellery marked by him with the State mark.

10. A dealer shall ensure that-
   (a) punches bearing the State mark are kept in a safe place; and
   (b) only authorised persons have access to them.

11. A dealer who marks jewellery with the State mark shall display and sell the jewellery only-
   (a) on the business premises of the dealer; and
   (b) on such business premises as may be authorised by the Director.

12. Where an inspection reveals that a jewellery or its alloy does not comply with the provisions of the Act, the Director shall instruct the dealer to-
   (a) remedy any defect; or
   (b) cut the jewellery under the supervision of an authorised officer.

13. Where a dealer breaches any of these regulations, the Director shall cancel the authorisation to use the State mark given to that dealer under regulation 6.

14. Upon cancellation of an authorisation to use the State mark, a dealer shall produce to the Director-
   (a) all punches bearing the State mark for cancellation;
   (b) a list of all jewellery marked with the State mark which he has in stock; and
   (c) any other information and documents as the Director may require within 15 days of the cancellation or request made under this paragraph.

15. These regulations shall come into operation on 9 May 2008.

Made by the Minister on 6 May 2008.

*: Amendment made under the Jewellery (Use of the State Mark by Dealers) (Amendment) Regulations 2012 on 09 October 2012, GN No 180 of 2012 and came into operation on 15 October 2012