

Compliance & Licensing

BIS, FSSAI & Statutory Requirement Overview

1. BIS Certification (Mandatory)

- Applicable for packaged drinking water and alkaline water units
- Standards: IS 14543 (Packaged Drinking Water), IS 13428 (Mineral Water)
- Approved plant layout and process flow required
- Raw water source approval mandatory
- In-house testing laboratory or NABL tie-up required
- Periodic factory inspection and compliance audits

2. FSSAI License

- Mandatory as packaged water is a food product
- State or Central FSSAI license based on capacity and distribution
- Hygienic processing and storage conditions required
- Food-grade materials for all water contact surfaces
- Staff hygiene, training, and labeling compliance mandatory

3. Local & Statutory Approvals

- Trade license from local municipal authority
- Factory Act registration where applicable
- Electricity connection approval
- Groundwater permission for borewell usage
- Pollution Control Board consent where applicable

4. Labeling & Packaging Compliance

- Mandatory BIS and FSSAI labeling requirements
- Batch number, manufacturing and expiry date
- Source of water declaration
- BIS certification mark and license number

5. Franchise & Commercial Unit Compliance

- Separate licenses required for each franchise unit

- BIS and FSSAI approvals are location-specific
- Licenses are non-transferable
- Periodic inspection and timely renewals mandatory

6. Operational Compliance Best Practices

- Maintain daily production and quality logs
- Schedule regular water testing
- Ensure timely renewal of licenses
- Follow preventive maintenance schedules
- Keep compliance documents ready for inspection

Important Note: All statutory approvals must be obtained before commercial production. Non-compliance may result in penalties, suspension of operations, or license cancellation.