Subpart O—Beer Purchased From Another Brewer

§ 25.231 Finished beer.

(a) A brewer may obtain beer in barrels and kegs, finished and ready for sale from another brewer. The purchasing brewer may furnish the producing brewer barrels and kegs marked with the purchasing brewer’s name and location. The producing brewer shall pay the tax as provided in subpart K of this part.

(b) A brewer may not purchase taxpaid or tax determined beer from another brewer in bottles or cans which bear the name and address of the purchasing brewer.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85–859, 72 Stat. 1389, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5413))

§ 25.232 Basic permit.

A brewer who engages in the business of purchasing beer for resale is required to possess a wholesaler’s or importer’s basis permit under the provisions of section 3(c) of the Federal Alcohol Administration Act and Part 1 of this chapter.

Subpart P—Cereal Beverage

§ 25.241 Production.

Brewers may produce cereal beverage and remove it without payment of tax from the brewery. The method of production shall insure that the alcohol content of the cereal beverage will not increase while in the original container after removal from the brewery. The brewer shall keep cereal beverage separate from beer, and shall measure the quantity of cereal beverage transferred for packaging in accordance with § 25.41.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85–859, 72 Stat. 1389, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5411))

§ 25.242 Markings.

(a) Designation. When bottled or packaged, cereal beverage may be designated “Cereal Beverage,” “Malt Beverage,” “Near Beer,” or other distinctive name. If designated “Near Beer,” those words will be printed identically in the same size or style of type, in the same color of ink, and on the same background.

(b) Barrels and kegs. A brewer may remove cereal beverage in barrels and kegs if the sides are durably painted at each end with a white stripe not less than 4 inches in width and the heads are painted in a solid color, with conspicuous lettering in a contrasting color reading “Nontaxable under section 5051 I.R.C.” The brewer shall also legibly mark the brewer’s name or trade name and the address on the container.

(c) Bottles. Bottle labels shall show the name or trade name and address of the brewer, the distinctive name of the beverage, if any, and the legend “Nontaxable under section 5051 I.R.C.” Other information which is not inconsistent with the requirements of this section may be shown on bottle labels.

(d) Cases. The brewer shall mark cases or shipping containers to show the nature of the product and the name or trade name and address of the brewer.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85–859, 72 Stat. 1389, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5411))

Subpart Q—Removal of Brewer’s Yeast and Other Articles

§ 25.251 Authorized removals.

(a) Brewer’s yeast. A brewer may remove brewer’s yeast, in liquid or solid form containing not less than 10 percent solids (as determined by the methods of analysis of the American Society of Brewing Chemists), from the brewery in barrels, tank trucks, in other suitable containers, or by pipeline.

(b) Containers. Containers will bear a label giving the name and location of the brewery and including the words “Brewer’s Yeast.”

(c) Pipeline. If brewer’s yeast is removed by pipeline, the pipeline will be described in the Brewer’s Notice, Form 5130.10. The premises where the brewer’s yeast is received is subject to inspection by an appropriate TTB officer during ordinary business hours.
(d) Other articles. A brewer may remove malt, malt syrup, wort, and other articles from the brewery.

(e) Methods of Analysis of the American Society of Brewing Chemists, Seventh Edition (1976). In reference to paragraph (a) of this section, this incorporation by reference was approved by the Director of the Federal Register on March 23, 1981, and is available for inspection or at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, call 202–741–6030, or go to: http://www.archives.gov/federal_register/code_of_federal_regulations/ibr_locations.html. This publication is available from the American Society of Brewing Chemists, 40 Pilot Knob Road, St. Paul, Minnesota 55121.

§ 25.252 Records.

(a) Production. The brewer shall keep records of the production of malt syrup, wort, and other articles which are removed from the brewery. The record shall include the quantities and kinds of materials used, and in the case of wort and concentrated wort, the bailing.

(b) Removals. The brewer shall keep records of removals of brewer’s yeast, malt and other articles from the brewery. The record shall include the quantity and date of removal of each lot, and the name and address of the consignee. These records may consist of invoices or shipping documents.

(c) Inspection. All records under this section shall be available for inspection at the brewery by an appropriate TTB officer during normal business hours.

§ 25.261 General.

(a) Authorized processes. A brewer may, in accordance with this subpart—

1. Produce concentrate from beer,

2. Reconstitute beer from concentrate,

3. Transfer concentrate from one brewery to another brewery of the same ownership, and

4. Remove concentrate without payment of tax for exportation, or for transfer to and deposit in a foreign-trade zone for exportation or for storage pending exportation in accordance with Part 28 of this chapter.

(b) Brewery treatment of concentrate. Beer reconstituted from concentrate in accordance with this subpart shall (except with respect to the additional labeling of reconstituted beer under §25.263) be treated the same as beer which has not been concentrated and reconstituted.

§ 25.262 Restrictions and conditions on processes of concentration and reconstitution.

(a) Conditions on concentration. A brewer may not employ any process of concentration which separates alcohol spirits from any fermented substance.

(b) Conditions on reconstitution—(1) The process of reconstitution of beer will consist of the addition to the concentrate of carbon dioxide and water only.

(2) A brewer may not employ any process of concentration or reconstitution unless the beer upon reconstitution will, without the addition of any substance other than carbon dioxide and water, possess the taste, aroma, color, and other characteristics of beer which has not been concentrated.

(3) The process of reconstitution shall provide for the addition of sufficient water to restore the concentrate to a volume not less than, and an alcohol content not greater than, that of the beer used to produce the concentrate.