DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

No. R.

LIQUOR PRODUCTS ACT, 1989

(ACT No. 60 OF 1989)

REGULATIONS: AMENDMENT

The Minister of Agriculture has, under section 27 of the Liquor Products Act, 1989 (Act No. 60 of 1989), made the regulations in the Schedule.

SCHEDULE

Definition

1. In this Schedule "the Regulations" means the regulations published by Government Notice No. R. 1433 of 29 June 1990, as amended by Government Notices Nos. R. 838 of 19 April 1991, R. 2841 of 29 November 1991, R. 2079 of 24 July 1992, R. 2593 of 11 September 1992, R. 2791 of 2 October 1992, R. 3152 of 20 November 1992, R. 1376 of 30 July 1993, R. 2350 of 10 December 1993, R. 356 of 25 February 1994, R. 636 of 8 April 1994, R. 1022 of 27 May 1994, R. 2242 of 23 December 1994, R. 394 of 17 March 1995, R. 1695 of 3 November 1995, R. 1876 of 8 December 1995, R. 501 of 29 March 1996, R. 1038 of 8 August 1997, R. 1141 of 29 August 1997, R. 833 of 26 June 1998, R. 1078 of 28 August 1998, R. 24 of 8 January 1999, R. 70 of 22 January

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1999, R. 672 of 28 May 1999, R. 951 of 6 August 1999, R. 21 of 12 January 2001, R. 349 of 20 April 2001, R. 678 of 27 July 2001, R. 343 of 7 March 2003, R. 77 of 3 February 2006, R. 814 of 11 August 2006, R. 846 of 14 September 2007, R. 171 of 15 February 2008, R. 555 of 22 May 2009, R. 413 of 21 May 2010, R. 525 of 13 July 2012, R. 401 of 2 May 2014, R. 629 of 24 July 2015, R. 5 of 5 January 2018, R. 274 of 1 March 2019, R. 736 of 13 August 2021, R 2247 of 8 July 2022, R. 2278 of 15 July 2022, R. 3542 of 15 June 2023, R. 3737 of 31 July 2023 and R. 5976 of 14 March 2025.

Amendment of regulation 1 of the Regulations

2. Regulation 1 of the Regulations is hereby amended by the insertion after the definition of "WCA" of the following definition:

"wort' means the liquid portion of the mash that contains soluble sugars produced during the mashing process.".

Amendment of regulation 8A of the Regulations

3. Regulation 8A of the Regulations is hereby amended by -

(a) the substitution for subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (f) of the following subparagraph:

"(ii) have an alcohol content of not more than 6 per cent;"; and

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(b) the substitution for subparagraph (i) of paragraph (h) of the following subparagraph:

"(i) be produced by the alcoholic fermentation by means of a yeast of a mix of beet or cane sugar, or any other sugar of plant origin not provided for in the Act or these regulations for the production or manufacturing of any other class of liquor product, including manufactured syrups like glucose syrup, dextrose syrup, golden syrup and the like, and potable water, and with or without the addition of flavourings allowed under Table 6;".

Amendment of regulation 33 of the Regulations

4. Regulation 33 of the Regulations is hereby amended by the substitution for subparagraph (i) of paragraph (a) of subregulation (2) of the following subparagraph:

"(i) is a skin macerated white, a skin fermented white, an extended barrel aged white/gris, a natural pale/non-fortified pale, a method ancestrale, an alternative red/rosé/white, a perlé wine, one of the sparkling wines, a sun wine, a low alcohol wine, a spirit-barrelaged wine or a rosé wine from white wine aged in wooden casks, previously used to age red wine: Provided that the expression "sparkling wine" shall suffice as class designation for any one of the sparkling wines; or ".

Amendment of regulation 34 of the Regulations

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5. Regulation 34 of the Regulations is hereby amended by the substitution for subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (d) of the following subparagraph:

"(ii) which appear horizontally in relation to other particulars on the main label on a uniform and clearly contrasted background;".

Amendment of regulation 35 of the Regulations

6. Regulation 35 of the Regulations is hereby amended by the substitution for paragraph (b) of subregulation (1) of the following paragraph:

“(b) in the case of an alcoholic fruit beverage of a class specified in column 1 of Table 3, be the applicable designation specified in that column: Provided that if sodium chloride or a flavouring is added to an alcoholic fruit beverage, the word "salt" or the name or names of the flavouring or flavourings shall only be used on any label if it is used in conjunction with and in letters of the same colour, type and size as the word "flavoured";".

Amendment of Table 1 of the Regulations

7. Table 1 of the Regulations is hereby amended by the insertion after the entry "Zinfandel (Primitivo)" of the following entry:

"The term "Moscato" or the term "Muscat" may as from the 2026 vintage be used as a cultivar descriptor for the cultivars Muscat de Frontignan, Muscat d’Alexandrie, Muscat

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de Hambourg, Morio Muscat, Muscat Ottonel, Symphony, Erlihane, Schönburger, Irsai Olivier, Diamond Muscat or Summer Muscat: Provided that -

(i) the wine concerned shall be a certified wine;

(ii) at least 85 per cent of the wine concerned is made from one or more of these cultivars; and

(iii) such a term may not be used if the name of any of these cultivars or their other synonyms or the name of any other cultivar or its synonym is listed on a label of the wine concerned.".

Amendment of Table 2 of the Regulations

8. Table 2 of the Regulations is hereby amended by the deletion of item 8h.

Amendment of Table 3B of the Regulations

9. Table 3B of the Regulations is hereby amended by the deletion of paragraph (d) in column 2 opposite item 1 in column 1.

Amendment of Table 6 of the Regulations

10. Table 6 of the Regulations is hereby amended by -

(a) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 1 of the following text:

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“wine; alcoholic fruit beverage; grape-based liquor; spirit-based liquor; grain fermented alcoholic beverage; sugar fermented alcoholic beverage; flavoured beer“;

(b) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 19 of the following text:

"unspecified alcoholic fruit beverage; grape-based liquor; spirit-based liquor; grain fermented alcoholic beverage; sugar fermented alcoholic beverage";

(c) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 23 of the following text:

"rice fermented alcoholic beverage; the beer classes";

(d) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 35 of the following text:

"alcoholic fruit beverage; grape-based liquor (excluding grape liquor); grain fermented alcoholic beverage, sugar fermented alcoholic beverage; spirit-based liquor; the beer classes";

(e) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 42 of the following text:

"rice fermented alcoholic beverage; the beer classes";

(f) the insertion after item 56 of the following item:

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Name of substance	Liquor products to which substance may be added	Manner and conditions of addition
1	2	3
"56a Cassava	the beer classes";	

(g) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 59 of the following text:

"chilli mead, capsicumel and hippocras; flavoured beer";

(h) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 90 of the following text:

"unspecified alcoholic fruit beverage; grape-based liquor (excluding grape liquor); spirit cooler; spirit aperitif; liqueur; the beer classes";

(i) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 95 of the following text:

"orange juice and sugar fermented alcoholic beverage; grain fermented alcoholic beverage, flavoured beer";

(j) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 104 of the following text:

"other fermented beverages of the mead classes specified in items 1 to 31 of Table 3A; husk spirit, premium husk spirit, flavoured agave classes (excluding silver 100 % agave spirit, silver agave spirit, crystal 100 % agave spirit and crystal agave spirit), pot still brandy, brandy, vintage brandy, flavoured spirits, gin;

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absinthe; grape-based liquor (excluding grape liquor); spirit-based liquor; the beer classes";

(k) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 107 of the following text:

" bochet, rhodomel, hippocras and melomel; the beer classes";

(l) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 110 of the following text:

"wine; alcoholic fruit beverage; other fermented beverage; grape-based liquor; the beer classes";

(m) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 117 of the following text:

"hippocras; the beer classes";

(n) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 121 of the following text:

"other fermented beverages of the mead classes specified in items 1 to 31 of Table 3A; rice fermented alcoholic beverage; the beer classes";

(o) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 123 of the following text:

"wine; the beer classes";

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(p) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 125 of the following text:

"acerglyn; the beer classes";

(q) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 131 of the following text:

"weirdomel; the beer classes";

(r) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 166 of the following text:

"t'ej, melomel and pyment; the beer classes";

(s) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 177 of the following text:

"rice fermented alcoholic beverage; the beer classes";

(t) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 180 of the following text:

"alcoholic fruit beverage; spirit-based liquor; other fermented beverages of the mead classes specified in items 1 to 31 of Table 3A; grain fermented alcoholic beverage, rice fermented alcoholic beverage; sugar fermented alcoholic beverage; the beer classes";

(u) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 190 of the following text:

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"vermouth; cocktail with an alcohol content of 15 per cent or more; rice fermented alcoholic beverage; kombucha; sugar fermented alcoholic beverage";

(v) the insertion after item 192 of the following item:

Name of substance	Liquor products to which substance may be added	Manner and conditions of addition
1	2	3
"192a Spirits-soaked wood	the beer classes";	

(w) the substitution for the text in column 2 opposite item 196 of the following text:

"sparkling wines which undergo a second alcoholic fermentation; alcoholic fruit beverage (excluding fortified apple and pear beverages); other fermented beverages of the mead classes specified in items 1 to 31 of Table 3A (excluding item 5 - beer mead); rice fermented alcoholic beverage; kombucha and sugar fermented alcoholic beverage; grain fermented alcoholic beverage; sugar fermented alcoholic beverage; the beer classes; spirits (excluding mampoer and the agave classes which are not flavoured); grape-based liquor (excluding grape liquor); spirit-based liquor".

Amendment of Table 10 of the Regulations

11. Table 10 of the Regulations is hereby amended by the deletion of item 17.

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