

RIVERSIDE INTERNATIONAL WINE COMPETITION

INTERNATIONAL GUIDELINES

- 1) You may use our online entry system or print out a copy of the entry form and fax it to (707) 528-7395.
- 2) **ENTRY FEE:** \$75 USD per entry. You may pay by wire transfer or by credit card; credit card information may be entered online. We accept Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover.

WIRE TRANSFER INFORMATION

Luther Burbank Bank-ACH/Wire Routing #321181297

Account #181-587767

Bank: Luther Burbank Bank, 804 4th Street, Santa Rosa, CA 95404

Beneficiary: Riverside International Wine Competition

P. O. Box 737

Sun City, CA 92586

Bank Contact (if needed): Mary Shanis, Tel: 707-578-9216

- 3) **SHIPPING:** Wine will be accepted until 11 April. Shipments are received weekdays 9AM-3PM. The Riverside International Wine Competition will acknowledge receipt of your wine. All wines entered **MUST BE SHIPPED PREPAID. All samples should be packed with a copy of the entry form inside the shipment and the name of the producer marked clearly on the outside. If you need compliance or customs clearance, please contact Mark Newman, Accolade Brands, mark@accoladebrands.com, (818) 390-3888, Import License #CA-1-15220.**

To ship direct from a non-USA winery:

ACCOLADE BRANDS, INC.

c/o RIVERSIDE INTERNATIONAL WINE COMPETITION

41571 Corning Place

Murrieta, CA 92562 USA

The Riverside International Wine Competition is not responsible for any shipping or customs charges. International shipments of wine must be cleared by a licensed broker with applicable importing licenses. If you have an importer, it is best to use your own importer.

INTERNATIONAL SHIPMENTS REQUIRE:

TTB SAMPLE WAIVER (COLA WAIVER): All sample shipments to the US must be accompanied by TTB Sample Waiver issued to a Federally Licensed Importer. The typical waiting time is five business days if all of the paperwork is in order. The Competition has contracted with Accolade Brands to perform this service for those wineries that do not have an importer. The fee for this service is stated below.

REGISTERED FDA NUMBER: You must obtain a registration with the FDA for each winery: <http://www.fda.gov/Food/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/RegistrationofFoodFacilities/default.htm> You must file a Prior Notice with FDA online before shipping: <http://www.fda.gov/Food/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/PriorNoticeofImportedFoods/FilingPriorNotice/ucm074936.htm> If you need assistance with filing the FDA Prior Notice, the Competition has contracted with Accolade Brands to perform this service for those wineries that do not have an importer. The fee for this service is stated below.

Additionally, if you do not have an importer, **the Riverside International Wine Competition has made arrangements with Accolade Brands to clear shipments. Payment for COLA WAIVERS must be prepaid by credit card or bank transfer to Accolade Brands. Your shipping documents should indicate that you will pay for all Customs Charges. If you do not properly designate that you will pay the customs fee, your customs fees must be paid by credit card or wire transfer within 72 hours of billing.**

Accolade Brands – Fees:

TTB Registration – \$25 USD per Winery, + \$15 USD per wine entry + Wine Tax & Duty \$1 USD per bottle (estimate).

FDA Prior Notice – \$25 USD per Winery

Customs Charges, Taxes & Duty are to be paid by each producer.

Contact: Mark Newman Email: mark@accoladebrands.com; Phone: 818-390-3888; Fax: 818.683.0413

Please complete the USA Customs Clearance Form. YOU MUST DESIGNATE THAT YOU WILL BE CHARGED FOR ALL U.S. CUSTOMS CHARGES ON YOUR INTERNATIONAL SHIPPING DOCUMENTS OR AIRWAY BILL. Accolade Brands is not responsible for U.S. Customs & Brokerage Charges and if this is not done properly, your shipment could be delayed until Accolade Brands receives payment for these charges. If the shipment is large enough for commercial airfreight, Accolade Brands must collect estimated tax, duty and customs charges in advance. The commercial value for samples is typically \$1 USD per bottle and this should be stated on a pro forma invoice.

Use an international carrier and include the payment of all Customs charges. UPS, FedEx and DHL are recommended.

ALL BOTTLES: Must have a label affixed to the back of the bottle that contains the US Government Warning, the phrase “Contains Sulfites” and the phrase “Trade Samples – Not for Resale.” The words “**GOVERNMENT WARNING**” must appear in capital letters and in bold type. The remainder of the statement may NOT appear in bold type. The statement MUST appear as a continuous paragraph. The statement reads as follows and should be 2mm to 3 mm in size:

GOVERNMENT WARNING: (1) ACCORDING TO THE SURGEON GENERAL, WOMEN SHOULD NOT DRINK ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DURING PREGNANCY BECAUSE OF THE RISK OF BIRTH DEFECTS (2) CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVVERAGES IMPAIRS OUR ABILITY TO DRIVE A CAR OR OPERATE MACHINERY, AND MAY CAUSE HEALTH PROBLEMS.

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