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word "pure", qualifying denatured alcohol may not appear on the label or the container.

(c) The requirements of paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section apply to any person who sells completely denatured alcohol at wholesale or retail.

# §20.148 Manufacture of articles with completely denatured alcohol.

Articles may be made with completely denatured alcohol for sale under brand names. If ingredients are added in sufficient quantities to materially change the composition and character of the completely denatured alcohol, the article is not classified as completely denatured alcohol and may not be marked, branded, or sold as completely denatured alcohol.

## §20.149 Records.

Records of transactions in completely denatured alcohol and articles made with completely denatured alcohol shall be maintained as prescribed in §20.261.

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# Subpart I—Operations by Dealers and Users of Specially Denatured Spirits

## OBTAINING SPECIALLY DENATURED SPIRITS

#### §20.161 Withdrawals under permit.

(a) *General.* The permit, Form 5150.9, issued under subpart D of this part, authorizes a person to withdraw specially denatured spirits from the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant or a dealer. If the permittee is located in a foreign-trade zone, the permit will be qualified so that the permittee may obtain domestic specially denatured spirits only. The alcohol in domestic denatured spirits must be produced entirely in the United States, including Puerto Rico.

(b) *Photocopying of permit, Form 5150.9.* (1) As provided in §20.54, a permittee may make photocopies of its permit, or amended permit, for the exclusive purpose of furnishing proof of authorization to withdraw specially denatured spirits. (2) A permittee need only furnish the photocopy of its permit, or amended permit, to a distilled spirits plant or dealer for the "initial order" from that distilled spirits plant or dealer.

(3) When a permittee makes photocopies of its permit, Form 5150.9, each copy must be signed, dated, and contain the word "COPY" across the face.

(4) A permittee is responsible for obtaining and, as applicable, destroying all photocopies of its permit from distilled spirits plants and dealers when: (i) An amended or corrected permit is issued which supersedes the copy on file, (ii) the permit is canceled by reason of requalification as a new permittee, (iii) the permit is revoked or suspended, or (iv) upon permanent discontinuance of dealing in or using specially denatured spirits.

(c) *Withdrawals.* (1) When a permittee places an initial order for specially denatured spirits the permittee will forward a signed copy of its permit, for retention by the distilled spirits plant or dealer, along with the purchase request.

(2) When the permittee places a subsequent order for specially denatured spirits, the purchase request, in addition to any other information, will contain the permit identification number along with a statement that the permittee possesses a valid permit to withdraw specially denatured spirits, a copy of which is on file with the supplier.

(3) Shipments will not be made by a proprietor of a distilled spirits plant or dealer until it is in possession of a signed copy of a valid permit, Form 5150.9, unless the appropriate TTB officer authorizes the shipment.

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#### §20.162 Regulation of withdrawals.

(a) Each permittee shall regulate its withdrawals of specially denatured spirits to ensure that (1) the quantity on hand and unaccounted for does not

exceed the capacity of the storage facilities, and (2) the cumulative quantity withdrawn or received in any calendar year does not exceed the quantity authorized by the permit, Form 5150.9. Recovered alcohol will be taken into account in determining the total quantity of alcohol on hand.

(b) For the purpose of this section, specially denatured spirits and recovered alcohol will be considered as unaccounted for if lost under circumstances where a claim for allowance is required by this part and the claim has not been allowed, or if used or disposed of in any manner not provided for in this part.

#### §20.163 Receipt and storage of specially denatured spirits.

(a) Receipt of bulk conveyances or by pipeline. A permittee who receives specially denatured spirits in bulk conveyances or by pipeline shall: (1) Deposit the specially denatured spirits into storage tanks as provided by §20.165; (2) draw the specially denatured spirits into packages marked and labeled as required by paragraph (b) of this section; (3) store the specially denatured spirits in the tank truck or tank car in which received if the conveyance is effectively immobilized within an enclosure secured to prevent unauthorized access; or (4) use the specially denatured spirits immediately in accordance with an approved formula or statement of process.

(b) Marks on portable containers. (1) A user who receives specially denatured spirits in bulk conveyances or by pipeline and who transfers the spirits to drums shall plainly label them to show (i) the words "Specially Denatured Alcohol" or "Specially Denatured Rum", and (ii) the formula number.

(2) A dealer who fills packages of specially denatured spirits shall label them in accordance with §20.178.

(c) Receipt of portable containers. A permittee who receives specially denatured spirits in portable containers such as drums or barrels shall transfer the specially denatured spirits to storage tanks or deposit the specially denatured spirits in a storeroom as provided in §20.165, or use the spirits in accordance with an approved formula or statement of process. A user may not transfer the spirits to other portable

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containers for storage except in the following circumstances:

(1) Contents of damaged packages may be transferred to new packages to prevent loss or waste; or

(2) Contents of portable containers may be transferred to "safety" containers to comply with city or State fire code regulations, or on filing notice with the appropriate TTB officer to comply with the safety practices of the user. The user shall label the new containers with the information marked on the original containers and shall also identify the new containers as "repackaged."

(d) *Record of receipt.* Records of receipt will consist of the consignor's invoice of bill or lading which identifies the quantities, formula number(s), and serial numbers of containers of specially denatured spirits, and which has been annotated by the consignee with the date of receipt of the shipment.

(e) *Losses.* On receipt of specially denatured spirits, the user shall determine and account for any losses in transit in accordance with subpart J of this part.

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#### PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT

## §20.164 Premises.

(a) A permittee shall have premises suitable for the business being conducted and adequate for protecting the revenue.

(b) Storage facilities shall be provided on the premises for specially denatured spirits received or recovered. Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, storage facilities shall consist of storerooms, compartments, or stationary storage tanks (not necessarily in a room or building).

(c) A permittee receiving and storing specially denatured spirits in tank cars or tank trucks, as provided in §20.163, need not provide stationary storage tanks.

(d) If specially denatured spirits are received at or removed from a permittee's premises in bulk conveyances, suitable facilities for those operations shall be provided.