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(2) Control of or assistance in the defense by the Government, at its election, of such suit or claim for which indemnification is provided in the contract.

 $[49\ {\rm FR}\ 12612,\ {\rm Mar.}\ 29,\ 1984,\ {\rm as}\ {\rm amended}\ {\rm at}\ 63\ {\rm FR}\ 69221,\ {\rm Dec.}\ 16,\ 1998]$ 

#### 828.7103 Financial protection.

(a) The amount of financial protection that the contractor is required to have and maintain to cover liability to third persons and loss of or damage to the contractor's property shall be the maximum amount of insurance available from private sources; however, the Secretary may establish a lesser amount after taking into consideration the cost and terms of private insurance.

(b) The financial protection may include private insurance, private contractual indemnities, self-insurance, other proof of financial responsibility, or a combination of such forms to provide the maximum amount required. When the contractor elects to utilize self insurance, proof of such financial responsibility up to the maximum amount required will be furnished the contracting officer prior to award.

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### PART 829—TAXES

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#### 829.000 Scope of part.

This part prescribes policies and procedures for exemptions from Federal excise taxes imposed on alcohol products purchased for use in the Department of Veterans Affairs medical care program.

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## Subpart 829.2—Federal Excise Taxes

#### 829.202 General exemptions.

# 829.202–70 Tax exemptions for alcohol products.

(a) General. (1) The procurement of spirits free of tax for nonbeverage purposes is permitted to Government agencies by regulations of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF) (see 27 CFR 211.231-237, 213.141-146 and 240.720-722). The use of tax-free alcohol, whiskey, beer, wine and denatured spirits for nonbeverage purposes shall include but not be limited to medicinal and scientific purposes and in the treatment of patients.

(2) Authority is hereby delegated to the Director, Marketing Center, Hines, Illinois, and to the Chief, Acquisition and Materiel Management Service, Department of Veterans Affairs medical facilities to sign application permits on Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF) prescribed forms. This authority is not to be redelegated.

(b) Whiskey, alcohol, and denatured alcohol. (1) Application forms for tax-free purchases are to be obtained from and submitted to the Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, Washington, DC 20226.

(2) ATF Form 1486, Specially Denatured Spirits for Use of United States, is the application/permit required for denatured spirits, and ATF Form 1444, Tax-Free Spirits for Use of United States, is required for distilled spirits (whiskey and alcohol). These are continuing permits to procure items tax free. Copies must be made available to the supplier in support of each procurement.

(3) Purchases for excise tax-free whiskey and alcohol, not available through the depot can only be made from a distillery or a bonded premises. In accordance with 27 CFR 213.144, the vendor will also support each shipment with ATF 1473, Shipment and Receipt Specifically Denatured Tax-Free, or Recovered Spirits. The ATF 1473 will be completed by the accountable officer and the original copy will be forwarded to the Regional Regulatory Administrator whose address is shown in item