

PRE-COLA PRODUCT EVALUATIONS FOR DISTILLED SPIRITS PRODUCTS

The following chart lists the current pre-COLA product evaluation requirements for a number of distilled spirits products. An “X” in the table indicates that a pre-COLA product evaluation of the type shown is required as a condition of COLA approval for the product and must be obtained prior to applying for label approval. A copy of the approved pre-COLA document must be submitted with the COLA application. In addition to the pre-COLA product evaluations noted below, a sulfite analysis is required for standard wines that do not have a sulfite declaration on the label. Descriptions of the pre-COLA product evaluations are provided in the text of Industry Circular 2007–4.

This chart is provided as general guidance. Particular circumstances may dictate the need for a pre-COLA product evaluation for a specific product even though no such requirement is indicated on the chart.

| PRODUCT | DOMESTIC (D) OR IMPORTED (I) | LABORATORY ANALYSIS | PRE-IMPORT LETTER | FORMULA (TTB F 5100.51 or TTB F 5110.38) | COMMENT |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| A Blend Of Straight Bourbon Whiskies Or Blended Straight Bourbon Whiskies | D | - | - | - | PRODUCT OF U.S. ONLY |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| A Blend Of Straight Corn Whiskies Or Blended Straight Corn Whiskies | D | - | - | - | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| A Blend Of Straight Malt Whiskies Or Blended Straight Malt Whiskies | D | - | - | - | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| A Blend Of Straight Rye Malt Whiskies Or Blended Straight Rye Malt Whiskies | D | - | - | - | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| A Blend Of Straight Rye Whiskies Or Blended Straight Rye Whiskies | D | - | - | - | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| A Blend Of Straight Wheat Whiskies Or Blended Straight Wheat Whiskies | D | - | - | - | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| A Blend Of Straight Whiskies Or Blended Straight Whiskies | D | - | - | - | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Advocaat | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Alcohol | D | - | - | - | |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Amaretto | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Anise | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Anisette | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |

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| Applejack | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Apricot Sour | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Aquavit | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Arack/Arak | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Armagnac | D | - | - | X* | *PRODUCT OF FRANCE ONLY; however, harmless coloring/flavoring/ blending materials may be added in the U.S. If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added in the U.S., a formula is required. |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Bitters | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Black Russian | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Blended Applejack Or Applejack – A Blend | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Blended Bourbon Whisky Or Bourbon Whisky – A Blend | D | - | - | X | PRODUCT OF U.S. ONLY |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Blended Canadian Whisky Or Canadian Whisky – A Blend | D | - | - | - | PRODUCT OF CANADA ONLY |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Blended Corn Whisky Or Corn Whisky – A Blend | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Blended Irish Whisky Or Irish Whisky – A Blend | D | - | - | - | PRODUCT OF THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND OR NORTHERN IRELAND ONLY |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Blended Light Whisky Or Light Whisky – A Blend | D | - | - | X | PRODUCT OF U.S. ONLY |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Blended Malt Whisky Or Malt Whisky – A Blend | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Blended Rye Malt Whisky Or Rye Malt Whisky – A Blend | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Blended Rye Whisky Or Rye Whisky – A Blend | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Blended Scotch Whisky Or Scotch Whisky – A Blend | D | - | - | - | PRODUCT OF SCOTLAND ONLY |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Blended Wheat Whisky Or Wheat Whisky – A Blend | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |

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| Blended Whisky Or Whisky – A Blend | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Bourbon Cordial/Bourbon Liqueur | D | - | - | X | PRODUCT OF U.S. ONLY |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Bourbon Whisky | D | - | - | - | PRODUCT OF U.S. ONLY |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Brandy (Grape Only) | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Brandy Alexander | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Brandy Cordial/ Brandy Liqueur | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Calvados | | | | | *PRODUCT OF FRANCE ONLY; however, harmless coloring/flavoring/ blending materials may be added in the U.S. If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added in the U.S., a formula is required. |
| | D | - | - | X* | |
| Canadian Whisky | D | - | - | - | PRODUCT OF CANADA ONLY |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Cognac | D | - | - | X* | *PRODUCT OF FRANCE ONLY; however, sugar, caramel and/or oak chip infusion may be added in the U.S. If sugar, caramel and/or oak chip infusion are added in the U.S., a formula is required. |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Cordial | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Corn Whisky | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Crème De _____ | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Curacao | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Distilled Spirits Specialty (Product requiring a statement of composition) | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Dried Fruit Brandy (e.g., "Raisin Brandy") | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Egg Nog | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |

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| Flavored Brandy | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Flavored Gin | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Flavored Rum | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Flavored Vodka | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Flavored Whisky | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Fruit Brandy (Other Than Grape, e.g., "Pear Brandy") | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Gin - Compound | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Gin - Distilled | D | - | - | - | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Gin - Redistilled | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Gin Cordial/Gin Liqueur | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Goldwasser | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Grain Spirits | D | - | - | - | |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Grappa/Grappa Brandy | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Imitation Distilled Spirits | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Immature Brandy (Grape Only) | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Irish Whisky | D | - | - | - | PRODUCT OF THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND OR NORTHERN IRELAND ONLY |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Kirschwasser | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Kummel | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Lees Brandy (Any Kind) | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | X | - | - | |

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| Light Whisky | D | - | - | X* | PRODUCT OF U.S. ONLY *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Liqueur | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Malt Whisky | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Marc Brandy (Any Kind) | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Mescal/Mezcal | D | - | - | - | PRODUCT OF MEXICO ONLY |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Neutral Brandy (Any Kind) | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Neutral Spirits | D | - | - | - | |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Ouzo | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Peppermint Schnapps | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Pisco | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Pisco Sour | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Pomace Brandy (Any Kind) | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Powdered Distilled Spirits | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Raki | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Recognized Cocktails | D | - | - | X* | *The product must appear in an industry recognized bartending guide such as "Mr. Bostons"© |
| | I | - | X* | - | |
| Residue Brandy (Any Kind) | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Rock And Bourbon | D | - | - | X | PRODUCT OF U.S. ONLY |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Rock And Brandy | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |

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| Rock And Rum | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Rock And Rye | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Rum | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Rum Cordial/Rum Liqueur | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Rye Cordial/Rye Liqueur | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Rye Malt Whisky | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Rye Whisky | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Sambuca | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Scotch Whisky | D | - | - | - | PRODUCT OF SCOTLAND ONLY |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Slivovitz | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Sloe Gin | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |
| Spirit Whisky | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Straight Bourbon Whisky | D | - | - | - | PRODUCT OF U.S. ONLY |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Straight Corn Whisky | D | - | - | - | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Straight Malt Whisky | D | - | - | - | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Straight Rye Malt Whisky | D | - | - | - | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Straight Rye Whisky | D | - | - | - | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Straight Whisky | D | - | - | - | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Substandard Brandy | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Tequila | D | - | - | - | PRODUCT OF MEXICO ONLY |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Triple Sec | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | - | X | - | |

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| Vodka | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Wheat Whisky | D | - | - | X* | *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Whisky | D | - | - | X | |
| | I | X | - | - | |
| Whisky Distilled From Bourbon Mash | D | - | - | X* | PRODUCT OF U.S. ONLY *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Whisky Distilled From Malt Mash | D | - | - | X* | PRODUCT OF U.S. ONLY *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Whisky Distilled From Rye Malt Mash | D | - | - | X* | PRODUCT OF U.S. ONLY *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Whisky Distilled From Rye Mash | D | - | - | X* | PRODUCT OF U.S. ONLY *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | - | - | - | |
| Whisky Distilled From Wheat Mash | D | - | - | X* | PRODUCT OF U.S. ONLY *If harmless coloring/ flavoring/blending materials are added, a formula is required. |
| | I | - | - | - | |