



LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL BEER COMPETITION

INTERNATIONAL GUIDELINES

1. Determine the beer you wish to enter and complete entry form.
2. **ENTRY FEE** –Entry fee must accompany entry form. Payment may be made by wire transfer or by credit card: Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover.

Wire Transfer Information:

Wells Fargo Bank, **Bank Routing Transit #: 121000248** - Swift #: **WFBIUS6S**
Account #: General Account **4121-987788**
Bank: Wells Fargo Bank, 420 Montgomery St., San Francisco, CA 94104
Beneficiary: Los Angeles County Fair Association dba: Fairplex
1101 W. McKinley Ave., Pomona, CA 91768 USA
Bank Representative Contact: Cynthia Boudt (415) 222-3632
Reference: Beer Competition

3. **SHIPPING:** International beers will be received from April 7 until April 10, 2020. Shipments will be received weekdays 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. All beer entered **MUST BE SHIPPED PREPAID**. **All samples should be packed with a copy of the entry form on the inside and the name of the producer marked clearly on the outside.** If shipping direct please contact Mark Newman, Accolade Brands, (818) 390-3888 Federal TTB Import License # CA-I-15220. Email Mark@accoladebrands.com before shipping.

CONSIGNEE: ACCOLADE BRANDS
IN CARE OF: LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL BEER COMPETITION
1101 W. MCKINLEY AVENUE
POMONA, CA 91768 USA
Phone 818-390-3888
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The Los Angeles International Beer Competition will acknowledge receipt of beer. **The Los Angeles International Beer Competition is not responsible for any shipping or customs charges. International shipments of beer 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 a 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 breweries 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 brewery. <http://www.fda.gov/Food/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/RegistrationofFoodFacilities/OnlineRegistration/default.htm> You must file a Prior Notice with FDA online before shipping. <http://www.fda.gov/Food/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/PriorNoticeofImportedFoods/FilingPriorNotice/cm074936.htm> If you are unsure about filing the FDA Prior Notice the Competition has contracted with Accolade Brands to perform this service for those breweries that do not have an importer. The fee for this service is stated below.



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If you do not have an importer, **the Los Angeles International Beer Competition has made arrangements with Accolade Brands to clear shipments. If you would like to use Accolade Brands to clear shipment please contact Mark Newman, Accolade Brands mark@accoladebrands.com (818)390-3888 before shipping.**

Payment must be prepaid by credit card through PayPal to Accolade Brands. For Wire Transfer payments, there is an extra 20 Euro fee. 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 from billing. Payment for customs fees may be paid by credit card or wire transfer.

Accolade Brands – Fees:

TTB COLA Waiver & Registration – 25 Euros per Brewery, + 15 Euros per beer entered.

FDA Prior Notice – 25 Euros per Brewery

FDA Food Facility Registration – 85 Euros Per Brewery (this is only needed if you have not registered with the FDA)

FDA Agent Filing – 85 Euros per year per Brewery. The permit is issued for 1 remaining calendar year through December 31, 2020. This is required by FDA for your shipment to legally arrive in the US. Permits issued in 2020, will automatically renew in December 2020 for the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022.

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

Contact: Mark Newman, Email: mark@accoladebrands.com, Fax: 818.683.0413 Phone: 818.390.3888

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 US Customs & Brokerage Charges and if this is not done properly, your shipment could be delayed until we receive payment for these charges.** If the shipment is large enough for commercial airfreight, we must collect estimated tax, duty and customs charges in advance. The commercial value for samples is typically one Euro per bottle and this should be stated on a pro-forma invoice. We recommend FedEx for beer shipments.

Option 1: Use FED EX or UPS. To be charged to your Fed Ex or UPS Account and to include the payment of all Customs Charges. We require a credit card number just in case that you have not completed the shipping forms correctly and you will only be billed for any excess charges or taxes that are billed to our account for your shipment.

Option 2: Airline airfreight DHL. This is usually a more expensive option than UPS or FedEx.

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 DRING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DURING PREGNANCY BECAUSE OF THE RISK OF BIRTH DEFECTS. (2) CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IMPAIRS OUR ABILITY TO DRIVE A CAR OR OPERATE MACHINERY, AND MAY CAUSE HEALTH PROBLEMS.

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4. April 18-19, 2020 judging of all beer entries.