



LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL BEER COMPETITION

2020 Style Guideline

Note: Style & category numbers change each year to reflect category additions and consolidations as recommended by the Brewers Association.

Style Additions:

- Juicy or Hazy Strong Pale Ale
- Contemporary Belgian-Style Gueuze Lambic
- Franconian-Style Rotbier
- American-Style India Pale Lager

Hybrid/Mixed Beer Styles

1. American-Style Wheat Beer

- A. Subcategory: Light American Wheat Ale or Lager without Yeast
- B. Subcategory: Dark American Wheat Ale or Lager without Yeast
- C. Subcategory: Light American Wheat Ale or Lager with Yeast
- D. Subcategory: Dark American Wheat Ale or Lager with Yeast

2. American-Style Fruit Beer

***Brewer must indicate fruit/vegetable used as well as underlying style of beer**

3. Fruit Wheat Beer

***Brewer must indicate fruit/vegetable used as well as underlying style of beer**

4. Belgian-Style Fruit Beer

***Brewer must indicate fruit/vegetable used as well as underlying style of beer**

5. Pumpkin/Squash Beer or Pumpkin Spice Beer

A. Subcategory: Pumpkin/Squash Beer

B. Pumpkin Spice Beer

***Brewer must indicate underlying style of beer**

6. Field Beer

7. Chili Beer

***Brewer must indicate chili pepper used as well as underlying style of beer**

8. Herb and Spice Beer

***Brewer must indicate herb/spice used as well as underlying style of beer**

9. Non – Alcohol Beer

***Brewer must indicate underlying style of beer**

10. Chocolate or Cocoa Beer

***Brewer must indicate herb/spice used as well as underlying style of beer**

11. Coffee Beer

A. Subcategory: Coffee Beer

B. Subcategory: Coffee Stout or Porter

***Brewer must indicate herb/spice used as well as underlying style of beer**

12. Specialty Beer

***Brewer must indicate any special ingredients or style**

13. Rye Beer

A. Subcategory: Rye Beer

B. Subcategory: German-Style Rye Ale

14. Honey Beer

***Brewer must indicate herb/spice used as well as underlying style of beer**

15. Session Beer

***Brewer must indicate any special ingredients or style**

16. Session India Pale Ale

17. Other Strong Beer

- A. Subcategory: Other Strong Beer
- B. Subcategory: American-Style Imperial Porter
- C. Subcategory: American-Style Wheat Wine Ale

***Brewer must indicate herb/spice used as well as underlying style of beer**

18. Experimental Beer

- A. Subcategory: Experimental Beer
- B. Subcategory: Ginjo Beer or Sake-Yeast Beer
- C. Subcategory: Wild Beer

***Brewer must indicate any special ingredients or style**

19. Fresh Hop Beer

***Brewer must indicate any special ingredients or style**

20. Historical Beer

- A. Subcategory: Historical Beer
- *Brewer must indicate any special ingredients or style**
- B. Subcategory: Dutch-Style Kuyt Beer
- C. Subcategory: Grodziskie
- D. Subcategory: Adambier
- E. Subcategory: Finnish-Style Sahti
- F. Subcategory: Swedish-Style Gotlandsdricke
- G. Subcategory: Breslau-Style Schoeps

21. Gluten Free Beer

***Brewer must indicate any special ingredients or style**

22. American-Belgo-Style Ale

- A. Subcategory: Pale American-Belgo-Style Ale
- B. Subcategory: Dark American-Belgo-Style Ale

23. American-Style Sour Ale

- A. Subcategory: American-Style Sour Ale
- B. Subcategory: Fruited American-Style Sour Ale

***Brewer must indicate any special ingredients or style**

24. Brett Beer

A. Subcategory: Brett Beer

B. Subcategory: Mixed-Culture Brett Beer

***Subcategory B - Brewer must indicate any special ingredients or style**

25. Wood and Barrel-Aged Beer

A. Subcategory: Wood and Barrel-Aged Pale to Amber Beer

B. Subcategory: Wood and Barrel-Aged Dark Beer

***Brewer must indicate any special ingredients or style, aging time, type of wood or barrel etc.**

26. Wood and Barrel-Aged Strong Beer

27. Wood and Barrel-Aged Strong Stout

28. Wood and Barrel-Aged Sour Beer

A. Subcategory: Wood- and Barrel-Aged Sour Beer

B. Subcategory: Fruited Wood- and Barrel-Aged Sour Beer

***Brewer must indicate any special ingredients or style**

29. Aged Beer

***Brewer must indicate any special ingredients or style**

30. Kellerbier or Zwickelbier

A. Subcategory: Unfiltered German-Style Lager

B. Subcategory: Unfiltered German-Style Ale

31. Smoke Beer

A. Subcategory: Bamberg-Style Weiss Rauchbier

B. Subcategory: Bamberg-Style Helles Rauchbier

C. Subcategory: Bamberg-Style Maerzen Rauchbier

D. Subcategory: Bamberg-Style Bock Rauchbier

E. Subcategory: Smoke Porter

F. Subcategory: Other Smoke Beer

***Brewer must indicate any special ingredients or style**

Lager Beer Styles

32. American-Style Pilsner or American-Style Lager

- A. Subcategory: American-Style Pilsner
- B. Subcategory: American-Style Lager

33. Contemporary American-Style Pilsner

34. International-Style Pilsner

- A. Subcategory: International Style Pilsner
- B. Subcategory: Australian, Latin American or Tropical-Style Light Lager

35. American-Style Light Lager or German-Style Light Lager

- A. Subcategory: American-Style Light Lager
- B. Subcategory: American-Style Amber Light Lager
- C. Subcategory: German-Style Leightbier

36. American-Style India Pale Lager or Malt Liquor

- A. Subcategory: American-Style India Pale Lager
- B. Subcategory: American-Style Malt Liquor

37. American-Style Cream Ale

38. American-Style Amber Lager

- A. Subcategory: American-Style Amber Lager
- B. Subcategory: California Common Beer
- C. Subcategory: American-Style Maerzen/Oktoberfest

39. German-Style Pilsner

40. Bohemian-Style Pilsner

41. Munich-Style Helles

42. Dortmunder or German-Style Oktoberfest

- A. Subcategory: Dortmunder/European-Style Export
- B. Subcategory: German-Style Oktoberfest/Wiesen

43. Vienna-Style Lager

44. German-Style Maerzen

45. European-Style Dark Lager/Munich-Style Dunkel

- A. Subcategory: Munich-Style Dunkel
- B. Subcategory: European-Style Dark Lager

46. Dark Lager

- A. Subcategory: German-Style Schwarzbier
- B. Subcategory: American-Style Dark Lager
- C. Subcategory: Franconian-Style Rotbier

47. Bock

- A. Subcategory: Traditional German-Style Bock
- B. Subcategory: German-Style Heller Bock/Maibock

48. German-Style Doppelbock or Eisbock

- A. Subcategory: German-Style Doppelbock
- B. Subcategory: German-Style Eisbock

49. Baltic-Style Porter

Ale Beer Styles

50. Golden or Blonde Ale

51. German-Style Kolsch

52. English-Style Summer Ale

53. Classic English-Style Pale Ale

54. English-Style India Pale Ale

55. Australian-Style Pale Ale

- A. Subcategory: Australian-Style Pale Ale
- B. Subcategory: Classic Australian-Style Pale Ale

56. International-Style Pale Ale

57. American-Style Pale Ale

- 58. Juicy or Hazy Pale Ale**
- 59. Juicy or Hazy Strong Pale Ale**
- 60. American-Style Strong Pale Ale**
- 61. American-Style India Pale Ale**
- 62. Juicy or Hazy India Pale Ale**
- 63. American-Style Imperial or Double India Pale Ale**
- 64. Juicy or Hazy Imperial or Double India Pale Ale**
- 65. American-Style Amber/Red Ale**
- 66. Double Hopy Red Ale**
- 67. Imperial Red Ale**
- 68. English-Style Mild Ale**
 - A. Subcategory: English-Style Pale Mild Ale
 - B. Subcategory: English-Style Dark Mild Ale
- 69. Ordinary or Special Bitter**
 - A. Subcategory: Ordinary Bitter
 - B. Subcategory: Special Bitter or Best Bitter
- 70. Extra Special Bitter**
 - A. Subcategory: American-Style Extra Special Bitter
 - B. Subcategory: English-Style Extra Special Bitter
- 71. Scottish-Style Ale**
 - A. Subcategory: Scottish-Style Light Ale
 - B. Subcategory: Scottish-Style Heavy Ale
 - C. Subcategory: Scottish-Style Export Ale
- 72. Irish-Style Red Ale**
- 73. English-Style Brown Ale**

74. American-Style Brown Ale

75. American-Style Black Ale

76. German-Style Sour Ale

- A. Subcategory: Berliner-Style Weisse
- B. Subcategory: Leipzig-Style Gose
- C. Subcategory: Contemporary Gose
- D. Subcategory: Fruited German-Style Sour Ale

***Subcategory D - Brewer must indicate any special ingredients or style**

77. German-Style Altbier

78. South German-Style Hefeweizen

79. German-Style Wheat Ale

- A. Subcategory: South German-Style Kristal Weizen
- B. Subcategory: German-Style Leichtes Weizen
- C. Subcategory: South German-Style Bernsteinfarbenes Weizen
- D. Subcategory: South German-Style Dunkel Weizen
- E. Subcategory: South German-Style Weizenbock

80. Belgian-Style Blonde Ale or Pale Ale

- A. Subcategory: Belgian-Style Pale Ale
- B. Subcategory: Belgian-Style Blonde Ale

81. Belgian-Style Witbier

82. Classic French and Belgian-Style Saison

83. Specialty Saison

84. Belgian- and French-Style Ale

- A. Subcategory: French-Style Biere de Garde
- B. Subcategory: Other Belgian- and French-Style Ale

85. Belgian-Style Lambic or Sour Ale

- A. Subcategory: Belgian-Style Lambic
- B. Subcategory: Traditional Belgian-Style Gueuze Lambic
- C. Subcategory: Belgian-Style Fruit Lambic
- D. Subcategory: Belgian-Style Flanders Oud Bruin or Oud Red Ale
- E. Subcategory: Other Belgian-Style Ale
- F. Subcategory: Contemporary Belgian-Style Gueuze Lambic

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86. Belgian-Style Dubbel

87. Belgian-Style Quadrupel

88. Belgian-Style Tripel

89. Belgian-Style Strong Specialty Ale

- A. Subcategory: Belgian-Style Pale Strong Ale
- B. Subcategory: Belgian-Style Dark Strong Ale

90. Other Belgian-Style Ale

- A. Subcategory: Other Belgian-Style Ale
- B. Subcategory: Other Belgian-Style Strong Specialty Ale
- C. Subcategory: Belgian-Style Table Beer

91. Brown Porter

92. Robust Porter

93. Classic Irish-Style Dry Stout

94. Export Stout

95. American-Style Stout

96. Sweet Stout or Cream Stout

97. Oatmeal Stout

98. Imperial Stout

- A. Subcategory: American-Style Imperial Stout
- B. Subcategory: British-Style Imperial Stout

99. Scotch Ale

A. Subcategory: Traditional Scotch Ale

B. Subcategory: Peated Scotch Ale

100. Old Ale or Strong Ale

A. Subcategory: Old Ale

B. Subcategory: Strong Ale

101. Barley Wine Style Ale

A. Subcategory: American-Style Barley Wine Ale

B. Subcategory: British-Style Barley Wine Ale

102. Standard Cider & Perry

A. Subcategory: Common Cider

B. Subcategory: English Cider

C. Subcategory: French Cider

D. Subcategory: Common Perry

E. Subcategory: Traditional Perry

F. Subcategory: Other

* **Subcategory F - Brewer must indicate any special ingredients or style**