



ULTIMATE SPIRITS CHALLENGE

WHAT ALL OTHER SPIRITS COMPETITIONS ASPIRE TO BE

2021 SPIRITS CLASSIFICATION CODES

If you have any questions or require assistance with completing the form, email info@ultimate-beverage.com or phone +1 (347) 878-6551.

The general categories in which products are judged at Ultimate Spirits Challenge are listed below. During judging the tasting flights are further narrowed so that products are evaluated like-with-like.

ABSINTHE

Y105. Absinthe

BAIJIU/KAOLIANG

X901. Baijiu/Kaoliang

BRANDY—ARMAGNAC

N639. Blanche
N641. VS/Three Star
N643. VSOP
N645. XO/Hors d'Age
N647. Vintage

BRANDY—CALVADOS

C630. Pays d'Auge Fine/Three Stars
C632. Pays d'Auge Vieux/Reserve
C634. Pays d'Auge VO/VSOP/Vieille Reserve
C636. Pays d'Auge Extra/Napoleon/Hors d'Age/Age Inconnu
C638. Pays d'Auge Vintage
C640. Domfrontais
C642. AOC (Any age designation)

BRANDY—COGNAC

D670. VS/Three Stars
D672. VSOP
D674. XO/Napoleon/Extra
D676. Vintage

BRANDY—GRAPPA/MARC/EAU-DE-VIE/AGUARDIENTE

M600. Grappa—Italy
M601. Grappa—World (Non-Italy)
M603. Marc—France (Grapes)
M605. Eau-de-Vie/Fruit Brandy—World (Stone fruits, berries—non-Calvados)
M607. Grape Brandy—Europe (Non-Cognac, non-Armagnac)
M609. Grape Brandy—North America
M611. Grape Brandy—World (Non-Europe, non-North America)
M613. Other Brandy—World
M615. Aguardiente—World
M616. Flavored Brandy—World (Non-Liqueur)

BRANDY—PISCO

M617. Pisco—Peru
M619. Pisco—Chile

BRANDY—SPAIN

M621. Brandy de Jerez
M623. Other Spanish Brandy (Non-Brandy de Jerez)

FORTIFIED/VERMOUTH/BITTER/AMARO/APERITIF

Z100. Sherry—Spain

Z110. Porto—Portugal
Z120. Madeira—Island of Madeira
Z125. Marsala—Italy
Z130. Fortified—World
Z135. Fortified—North America
Z140. Pineau des Charentes/Floc de Gascogne/
Pommeau de Normandie—France
Z150. Vermouth—Dry/Extra Dry
Z155. Vermouth—Sweet
Z160. Vermouth—Ambre/Bianco/Other
Z165. Bitter
Z170. Amaro
Z175. Aperitivo/Aperitif

GIN/GENEVER

G300. Gin
G302. Old Tom Style
G304. Navy Strength (57% abv or above)
G306. Barrel Matured
G308. Flavored
G310. Genever (All ages)

LIQUEURS

L102. Pastis
L104. Aniseed (For example, Sambuca, Ouzo)
L106. Berry and Fruit (All berries, cherry, apple, peach, pear, banana, etc.)
L108. Citrus Fruit (Orange/triple sec, limoncello, etc.)
L110. Coffee
L112. Nut (Almond, walnut, hazelnut, etc.)
L114. Chocolate
L116. Cream/Dairy
L118. Mint/Herb/Spice/Botanical
L120. Whiskey
L122. Other
L124. Schnapps
L126. Sloe Gin

MEZCAL & NON-TEQUILA AGAVE-BASED SPIRITS

A400. Espadin
A402. Arroqueno
A404. Tobola
A406. Pechuga
A408. Madrecuixe
A410. Tepeztate
A412. Other Agave (Mexico)
A414. Multiple Agaves
A420. Sotol
A422. Bacanora
A424. Other Agave-based Spirits (Non-Mexico)

MISCELLANEOUS SPIRITS

J900. Brandy-based Spirits (Any nation)
J902. NGS-based Spirits



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NO SHORTCUTS. JUST HONEST, IMPARTIAL JUDGING

- J908. Aquavit
- J910. Raki
- J912. Nog
- J914. Applejack
- J916. Low/No Alcohol Spirits
- J918. Other Spirits

NON-ALCOHOL MIXERS/TONICS/SODAS, HARD/ SPIKED SELTZERS & FLAVORED MALT BEVERAGES

- B103. Mixers: Non-Alcohol Club Soda/Tonic/Ginger Beer/
Ginger Ale, et cetera
- B105. Non-Alcohol Cocktail Mixes (Powder or liquid)
- B109. Hard/Spiked Seltzers/Flavored Malt Beverages

READY-TO-DRINK COCKTAILS

- B107. Ready-To-Drink Cocktails (Cans or bottles)

RUM/RHUM

- R502. Rhum/Rum Agricole
- R504. White/Silver
- R506. Gold/Dark (Aged less than 5 years)
- R508. Gold/Dark (Aged more than 5 years)
- R510. Over-Proof (Over 51% abv)
- R512. Clairin (Haiti)
- R514. Molasses and Sugarcane Juice Blend
- R516. Spiced
- R518. Flavored (Any base)
- R520. Other Sugarcane Juice Spirits (for example, Arrack)
- R522. Cachaça (Un-aged)
- R524. Cachaça (Aged)

SHOCHU/SOJU

- X900. Shochu/Soju

TEQUILA

- T100. Blanco/Silver/Platinum 100% Agave
- T102. Joven 100% Agave
- T104. Reposado 100% Agave
- T106. Añejo 100% Agave
- T108. Cristalino 100% Agave
- T110. Extra Añejo 100% Agave
- T112. Mixto
- T114. Flavored (All flavors/any base)

VODKA

- V200. Unflavored Potato
- V202. Unflavored Wheat
- V204. Unflavored Rye
- V206. Unflavored Barley
- V208. Unflavored Corn
- V210. Unflavored Multiple Grain
- V212. Unflavored Sugar Cane
- V214. Unflavored Grape or Fruit Distillate
- V216. Unflavored Sorghum
- V218. Flavored (All flavors/any base)
- V220. Other Vodka

WHISKY—CANADA

- S790. Blended

- S792. Single Grain/Single Malt
- S794. Single Barrel/Small Batch
- S796. Rye

WHISKEY—IRELAND

- E740. Blended
- E742. Single Malt
- E744. Single Pot Still
- E746. Single Grain
- E748. Poitin/Poteen

WHISKY—SCOTLAND

- W701. Blended
- W703. Blended Malt
- W705. Single Grain
- W707. Blended Grain
- W709. Speyside Single Malt
- W711. Islay Single Malt
- W713. Lowland Single Malt
- W715. Island Single Malt (Skye/Orkneys/Jura/Arran/Mull)
- W717. Highland Single Malt (Non-Speyside)
- W719. Campbeltown Single Malt
- W721. Independent Merchant (Single Malt/Blended)

WHISKEY—UNITED STATES

- P771. Moonshine/White Dog/Unaged Whiskey (Any state)
- P773. Rye (Any state/any age)
- P775. Bourbon (Any state/any age)
- P777. Small Batch Bourbon (Aged less than 10 years)
- P779. Small Batch Bourbon (Aged more than 10 years)
- P781. Single Barrel Bourbon (Aged less than 10 years)
- P783. Single Barrel Bourbon (Aged more than 10 years)
- P785. Bottled-in-Bond Bourbon/Rye (50% abv—any state/any age)
- P787. Single Malt (Any age/any state)
- P789. Single Grain (Any state/any age)
- P791. Blended/Multi Grain (Any state/any age)
- P793. Tennessee Whiskey
- P795. American/Experimental/Other (Any state/any age)
- P797. Wheat Whiskey (Any state/any age)

WHISK(E)Y—WORLD

- H900. Japanese Blended
- H902. Japanese Single Grain
- H904. Japanese Single Malt
- H906. Japanese Column Still
- H908. Taiwanese Blended
- H910. Taiwanese Single Malt
- H912. Indian Blended
- H914. Indian Single Malt
- H916. French Blended
- H918. French Single Malt
- H920. Wales/England Blended
- H922. Wales/England Single Malt
- H924. Australia Blended
- H926. Australia Single Malt
- H928. Other—World

WHISK(E)Y FLAVORED

- Q941. Flavored—World