

(2) A proprietor may file ATF F 5120.17 reports on a calendar year basis if (i) The proprietor expects to be exempt from filing semimonthly returns under §24.273 for the calendar year and (ii) The sum of the bulk and bottled wine to be accounted for in all tax classes is not expected to exceed 20,000 gallons for any one month during the calendar year when adding up the bulk and bottled wine on hand at the beginning of the month, bulk wine produced by fermentation, sweetening, blending, amelioration or addition of wine spirits, bulk wine bottled, bulk and bottled wine received in bond, taxpaid wine returned to bond, bottled wine dumped to bulk, inventory gains, and any activity written in the untitled lines of the report form which increases the amount of wine to be accounted for. To begin the annual filing of a report of bonded wine premises operations, a proprietor will state such intent in the "Remarks" section when filing the prior month's ATF F 5120.17. A proprietor who is commencing operations during a calendar year and expects to meet these criteria may use a letter notice to the appropriate ATF officer, and file an annual ATF F 5120.17 for the remaining portion of the calendar year. If a proprietor determines that the wine excise tax liability for the current year will exceed \$1,000 or that the 20,000 gallon activity level will be exceeded in any month, an ATF F 5120.17 will be filed for that month and for all subsequent months of the calendar year. If there is a jeopardy to the revenue, the appropriate ATF officer may at any time require any proprietor otherwise eligible for annual filing of a report of bonded wine premises operations to file such report monthly. The information reported on the ATF F 5120.17 will be maintained in accordance with the requirements of this part.

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#### § 24.301 Bulk still wine record.

A proprietor who produces or receives still wine in bond, (including wine intended for use as distilling material or vinegar stock to which water has not yet been added) shall maintain records of transactions for bulk still wine. Records will be maintained for each tax class of still wine including the date the transaction occurred. The bulk still wine record will contain the following:

(a) The volume produced by fermentation in wine gallons determined by actual measurement;

(b) The volume received, shipped taxpaid, removed (e.g., taxpaid, in bond, export, family use, samples) and used in sparkling wine production; if a tax credit under 26 U.S.C. 5041(c) may be claimed, the record will be maintained in sufficient detail to insure that such a tax credit is properly claimed;

(c) The specific type of production method used, e.g., natural fermentation, amelioration, sweetening, addition of spirits, blending;

(d) The volume of wine used and produced by amelioration, addition of spirits or sweetening, as determined by measurements of the wine before and after production.

(e) The volume of wine used for and produced by blending, if wines of different tax classes are blended together;

(f) The volume of wine used to produce formula wine, vinegar stock and distilling material;

(g) The volume of wine removed to fermenters for refermentation or removed directly to the production facilities of a distilled spirits plant or vinegar plant;

(h) Where a process authorized under §24.248 is employed, records will be maintained to allow for verification of any limitation specified for the process employed and to ensure that the use of the process is consistent with good commercial practice;

(i) Where a treating material is dissolved or dispersed in water as authorized in this part, the volume of water added to the wine; and

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(j) An explanation of any unusual transaction. (Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1381, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5367))

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**§ 24.302 Effervescent wine record.**

A proprietor who produces or receives sparkling wine or artificially carbonated wine in bond shall maintain records showing the transaction date and details of production, receipt, storage, removal, and any loss incurred. Records will be maintained for each specific process used (bulk or bottle fermented, artificially carbonated) and by the specific kind of wine, e.g., grape, pear, cherry. The record will contain the following:

- (a) The volume of still wine filled into bottles or pressurized tanks prior to secondary fermentation or prior to the addition of carbon dioxide;
- (b) The quantity of any first dosage used;
- (c) Any in-process bottling losses, e.g., refilling, spillage, breakage;
- (d) The volume of bottle fermented sparkling wine in process, transferred and received;
- (e) The volume returned to still wine;
- (f) The quantity of any finishing dosage used (See § 24.192);
- (g) The volume of finished sparkling wine or artificially carbonated wine bottled or packed (amount produced);
- (h) The quantity of each item used in the production of dosages, e.g., wine, sugar, spirits; and
- (i) An explanation of any unusual transaction. (Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1381, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5367))

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**§ 24.303 Formula wine record.**

A proprietor who produces beverage formula wine shall maintain records showing by transaction date the details of production. The formula wine record will contain the following:

- (a) A number for each lot produced;
- (b) The approved formula number for each lot;
- (c) The volume of wine used in the production;
- (d) The volume produced and the gain or loss resulting from the production of each lot as determined by comparing the volume finished with the volume used (report the total loss or gain on the ATF F 5120.17 for the period in question);
- (e) An explanation of any unusual loss or gain;
- (f) The production of essences showing the formula number, quantities of spirits and herbs used, and the amount produced;
- (g) The quantity of essences purchased, and the use, transfer or other disposition of essences produced or purchased; and
- (h) A record of the receipt and use or other disposition of all herbs, aromatics, essences, extracts, or other flavoring materials used in the production of formula wine. (Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1381, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5367))

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**§ 24.304 Chaptalization (Brix adjustment) and amelioration record.**

(a) *General.* A proprietor who chaptalizes juice or ameliorates juice or wine, or both, shall maintain a record of the operation and the transaction date. Records will be maintained for each kind of wine produced (grape, apple, strawberry, etc.). No form of record is prescribed, but the record maintained will contain the information necessary to enable appropriate ATF officers to readily determine compliance with chaptalization and amelioration limitations. All quantities will be recorded in wine gallons, and, where sugar is used, the quantity will be determined either by measuring the increase in volume or, for pure dry sugar by considering that each 13.5 pounds results in a volumetric increase of one gallon. If grape juice is chaptalized and subsequently