

§ 19.247

NEW OR SUPERSEDING BONDS

§ 19.247 General.

New bonds shall be required in case of insolvency or removal of any surety, and may, at the discretion of the appropriate TTB officer, be required in any other contingency affecting the validity or impairing the efficiency of such bond. Executors, administrators, assignees, receivers, trustees, or other persons acting in a fiduciary capacity, continuing or liquidating the business of the principal, shall execute and file a new bond or obtain the consent of the surety or sureties on the existing bond or bonds. When, under the provisions of § 19.250, the surety on any bond given under this subpart has filed an application to be relieved of liability under said bond and the principal desires or intends to continue the business of operations to which such bond relates, he shall file a valid superseding bond to be effective on or before the date specified in the surety's notice. New or superseding bonds shall show the current date of execution and the effective date.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended, 1394, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5175, 5176, 5551); sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

§ 19.248 New or superseding bond.

(a) *Operations bond.* When a new or superseding operations bond is not given as required in § 19.247, the principal shall immediately discontinue the business or distilled spirits operations to which such bond relates.

(b) *Withdrawal bond.* When a new or superseding withdrawal bond is not given as required by § 19.247, the principal may not withdraw any distilled spirits from bonded premises (other than distilled spirits withdrawn under 26 U.S.C. 5214 or 7510) except on prior payment of tax.

(c) *Unit bond.* When a new or superseding unit bond is not given as required by § 19.247, the principal shall immediately discontinue the business or distilled spirits operations to which such bond relates and may not withdraw any distilled spirits from bonded premises (other than distilled spirits

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withdrawn under 26 U.S.C. 5214 or 7510) except on prior payment of tax.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5175, 5176); sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

TERMINATION OF BONDS

§ 19.249 Termination of bonds.

Operations, withdrawal, or unit bonds may be terminated as to liability for future withdrawals and/or to future production or deposits.

(a) Pursuant to application of the surety as provided in § 19.250.

(b) On approval of a superseding bond.

(c) On notification by the principal that he has discontinued withdrawals under the bond if such bond was filed solely as a withdrawal bond, or

(d) On notification by the principal that he has discontinued business.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5175, 5176); sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

§ 19.250 Application of surety for relief from bond.

A surety on any operations, withdrawal, or unit bond may at any time in writing notify the principal and the appropriate TTB officer in whose office the bond is on file that he desires, after a date named, to be relieved of liability under said bond. Such date shall be not less than 10 days after the date the notice is received by the appropriate TTB officer in the case of a withdrawal bond, and not less than 90 days after the date the notice is received in the case of an operations or unit bond. The surety shall also file with the appropriate TTB officer an acknowledgment or other proof of service on the principal. If such notice is not thereafter in writing withdrawn, the rights of the principal as supported by said bond shall be terminated on the date named in the notice, and the surety shall be relieved from liability to the extent set forth in § 19.251.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5175, 5176); sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

§ 19.251 Relief of surety from bond.

(a) *General.* The surety on an operations, withdrawal, or unit bond who

has filed application for relief from liability as provided in §19.250 shall be relieved from liability under such bond as set forth in this section.

(b) *Operations or unit bonds.* Where a new or superseding bond is filed, the surety shall be relieved of future liability with respect to production and deposits wholly subsequent to the effective date of the new or superseding bond. Notwithstanding such relief, the surety shall remain liable for the tax on all distilled spirits or wines produced, or for other liabilities incurred, during the term of the bond. Where a new or superseding bond is not filed the surety shall, in addition to the continuing liabilities above specified, remain liable under the bond for all spirits or wines on hand or in transit to the bonded premises or bonded wine cellar, as the case may be, on the date named in the notice until all such spirits or wines have been lawfully disposed of, or a new bond has been filed by the principal covering the same.

(c) *Withdrawal or unit bonds.* The surety shall be relieved from liability for withdrawals made wholly subsequent to the date specified in the notice, or the effective date of a new bond, if one is given.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5176.); sec. 805(c), Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 276 (26 U.S.C. 5173))

§ 19.252 Release of pledged securities.

Securities of the United States pledged and deposited as provided in §19.234 shall be released only in accordance with the provisions of 31 CFR part 225. Such securities will not be released by the appropriate TTB officer until liability under the bond for which they were pledged has been terminated. When the appropriate TTB officer is satisfied that they may be released, he shall fix the date or dates on which a part or all of such securities may be released. At any time prior to the release of such securities, the appropriate TTB officer may extend the date of release for such additional length of time as he deems necessary.

(Ch. 290, Pub. L. 80-280, 61 Stat. 650 (31 U.S.C. 9301, 9303))

Subpart I—Construction, Equipment and Security

§ 19.271 Construction of buildings

Buildings in which spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines are produced, stored, or processed shall be constructed with substantial material (e.g., masonry, concrete, wood, metal, etc.), and arranged, equipped, and protected to provide adequate security to the revenue.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended) (26 U.S.C. 5178))

§ 19.272 Equipment.

The proprietor shall provide equipment suitable for the operations conducted on the distilled spirits plant. The equipment shall also meet the needs for revenue protection.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended) (26 U.S.C. 5178))

§ 19.273 Tanks.

(a) *General.* (1) Tanks used as receptacles for spirits, denatured spirits, or wines shall be located, constructed, and equipped to be suitable for the intended purpose and to allow ready examination.

(2) An accurate means of measuring the contents of each tank shall be provided by the proprietor.

(3) When a means of measuring is not a permanent fixture of the tank, the tank shall be equipped with a fixed device to allow the approximate contents to be determined readily.

(4) Tanks used for determining the tax imposed by 26 U.S.C. 5001 shall be mounted on scales and an additional suitable device shall be provided so that the volume of the contents can be quickly and accurately determined.

(5) The proprietor shall install walkways, landings and stairways which will permit safe access to all parts of a tank.

(6) Tanks in which gauges required by this part are to be made shall not be used until they are accurately calibrated and a statement of certification of accurate calibration is included in the notice of registration.

(7) If tanks or their fixed gauging devices are moved in location or position subsequent to original calibration, the