



**Approval of the Wine Standards Management Plan  
Code of Practice for  
Fruit Wine, Cider and Mead**

I, Andrew McKenzie, Director-General, approve under section 8(2) of the Wine Act 2003 the Wine Standards Management Plan Code of Practice Fruit Wine, Cider and Mead Amendment 0: May 2008;

as a valid and appropriate Code of Practice upon which to base a wine standards management plan for businesses that make fruit wine, cider or mead.

Signed at Wellington this 6th day of May 2008.

SIGNED

Andrew McKenzie  
Director-General

## **Explanatory material**

### **1 Background**

- (1) Section 8(2) of the Wine Act 2003 (the Act) provides for a wine standards management plan for a particular business to be based on a template, model or a code of practice if in the view of the Director-General the template, model or code of practice is valid and appropriate for businesses of that kind.
- (2) The Code of Practice is one of three documents that together form a model wine standards management plan for fruit wine, cider and mead.
- (3) Note that any amendment to or update of the Wine Standards Management Plan Code of Practice Fruit Wine, Cider and Mead does not take effect until approved by the Director-General.

### **2 Justification**

- (1) The Code of Practice is valid as it outlines procedures and practices that satisfy the regulatory requirements that are applicable for fruit wine, cider and mead businesses. The procedures are practical and achievable for the kind of businesses concerned.
- (2) The Code of Practice is appropriate as it is suitable for fruit wine, cider and mead making businesses. This is demonstrated through the development and peer review process the Code of Practice was subject to. It was designed for a well-run, small-medium sized winery, developed by the NZFSA and subject to peer review by representatives of the sector and a specialist consultant.

### **3 Disclaimer**

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