



Notice of Direction

Pursuant to section 57(1) of the Wine Act 2003 I, Carol Barnao, Director (Standards) issue the following direction.

Issued at Wellington this 2 day of July 2009

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Carol Barnao

Director (Standards)

(Acting under delegated authority)

Certification in order for signature

Solicitor

Legal Services

Part 1
Preliminary provisions

1 Application

This notice of direction applies to agencies recognised to perform testing, sampling, and chemical or biological or other analysis functions and activities under the Wine Act 2003 (**recognised laboratories**).

2 Interpretation

- (1) In this notice of direction, unless the context otherwise requires, —

Act means the Wine Act 2003

recognised laboratory means an agency recognised under the Wine (Recognised Laboratories) Notice 2007

wine export certification means the wine export certification service provided to the wine industry (currently provided by the Wine Institute of New Zealand).

- (2) Any term or expression that is defined in the Wine Act 2003 or regulations made under that Act, or in the Wine (Recognised Laboratories) Notice 2007, and used but not defined in this notice of direction has the same meaning as in the Act, regulations, or notice.

Part 2
Directions

3 Tests and test methods for wine intended for export to EU

- (1) When conducting chemical analysis of wine intended for export to a country in the European Union, the recognised laboratory must test for each the following:
- (a) total alcoholic strength;
 - (b) actual alcoholic strength;
 - (c) total sugar;
 - (d) total acidity;
 - (e) citric acidity;
 - (f) total dry extract;

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- (g) total sulphur dioxide; and
 - (h) volatile acidity;
- (2) When conducting chemical analysis of wine intended for export to a country in the European Union, the recognised laboratory must use either-
- (a) a test method specified in the current edition of the International Organisation for Wine and Vine (OIV) Compendium of International Methods of Analysis of Wines and Musts, including any amendments, additions, and deletions made to or from it; or
 - (b) a test method that has been approved by the Director General and specified in a subsequent direction issued under section 57(1) of the Act to the relevant recognised laboratory.

4 Receipt of samples for testing

- (1) By way of explanation, winemakers will send wine samples directly to the recognised laboratory for testing. Each sample will be marked with a unique identification number, which will have been generated by the wine export certification provider. A sample from the same batch will also be sent to the wine export certification provider (**the corresponding sample**).
- (2) The recognised laboratory must confirm that the corresponding sample has been received by the wine export certification provider before proceeding with the wine testing.

5 Reporting of test results

- (1) Within five working days of receiving confirmation from the wine export certification provider in accordance with clause 4(2), the recognised laboratory must submit the test results electronically to the applicable NZFSA database.
- (2) Within five working days of receiving confirmation from the wine export certification provider in accordance with clause 4(2), the recognised laboratory must electronically submit a secure PDF copy of the laboratory report for every wine tested to the applicable NZFSA database.
- (3) The laboratory report referred to in sub clause (2) must contain the following details:
 - (a) the letterhead of the recognised laboratory;

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- (b) the job number and/or recognised laboratory number;
 - (c) the date of the report;
 - (d) the date the sample was received;
 - (e) the sample reference number issued by the wine export certification provider;
 - (f) the sample descriptor;
 - (g) name and signature of the person signing off the test results.