

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 5388, act Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 672, consisted of provisions similar to those comprising this section, prior to the general revision of this chapter by Pub. L. 85-859.

AMENDMENTS

2006—Subsec. (c)(3). Pub. L. 109-432 added par. (3).
1997—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 105-34 added subsec. (c).
1976—Pub. L. 94-455 struck out “or his delegate” after “Secretary”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2006 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 109-432, div. A, title IV, § 422(b), Dec. 20, 2006, 120 Stat. 2973, provided that: “The amendments made by this section [amending this section] shall apply to wine imported or bottled in the United States on or after the date of enactment of this Act [Dec. 20, 2006].”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1997 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 105-34, title IX, § 910(b), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 877, provided that: “The amendment made by this section [amending this section] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [Aug. 5, 1997].”

PART IV—GENERAL

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5391.	Exemption from distilled spirits taxes.
5392.	Definitions.

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A prior part IV consisted of sections 5391 and 5392 of this title, prior to the general revision of this chapter by Pub. L. 85-859, title II, § 201, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1313.

AMENDMENTS

1979—Pub. L. 96-39, title VIII, § 807(b)(8), July 26, 1979, 93 Stat. 290, substituted “Exemption from distilled spirits taxes” for “Exemption from rectifying and spirits taxes” in item 5391.

§ 5391. Exemption from distilled spirits taxes

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the tax imposed by section 5001 on distilled spirits shall not, except as provided in this subchapter, be assessed, levied, or collected from the proprietor of any bonded wine cellar with respect to his use of wine spirits in wine production, in such premises; except that, whenever wine or wine spirits are used in violation of this subchapter, the applicable tax imposed by section 5001 shall be collected unless the proprietor satisfactorily shows that such wine or wine spirits were not knowingly used in violation of law.

(Added Pub. L. 85-859, title II, § 201, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1387; amended Pub. L. 96-39, title VIII, § 807(a)(49), July 26, 1979, 93 Stat. 288.)

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AMENDMENTS

1979—Pub. L. 96-39 substituted “distilled” for “rectifying and” in section catchline and struck out provisions relating to exemption from taxes imposed on rectified spirits and wines and the status of any proprietor of a bonded wine cellar as a rectifier of such spirits in text.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1979 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 96-39 effective Jan. 1, 1980, see section 810 of Pub. L. 96-39, set out as a note under section 5001 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective July 1, 1959, see section 210(a)(1) of Pub. L. 85-859, set out as a note under section 5001 of this title.

§ 5392. Definitions**(a) Standard wine**

For purposes of this subchapter the term “standard wine” means natural wine, specially sweetened natural wine, special natural wine, and standard agricultural wine, produced in accordance with the provisions of sections 5381, 5385, 5386, and 5387, respectively.

(b) Heavy bodied blending wine

For purposes of this subchapter the term “heavy bodied blending wine” means wine made from fruit without added sugar, and with or without added wine spirits, and conforming to the definition of natural wine in all respects except as to maximum total solids content.

(c) Pure sugar

For purposes of this subchapter the term “pure sugar” means pure refined sugar, suitable for human consumption, having a dextrose equivalent of not less than 95 percent on a dry basis, and produced from cane, beets, or fruit, or from grain or other sources of starch. Invert sugar syrup produced from such pure sugar by recognized methods of inversion may be used to prepare any sugar syrup, or solution of water and pure sugar, authorized in this subchapter.

(d) Total solids

For purposes of this subchapter the term “total solids”, in the case of wine, means the degrees Brix of the dealcoholized wine.

(e) Same kind of fruit

For purposes of this subchapter the term “same kind of fruit” includes, in the case of grapes, all of the several species and varieties of grapes. In the case of fruits other than grapes, this term includes all of the several species and varieties of any given kind; except that this shall not preclude a more precise identification of the composition of the product for the purpose of its designation.

(f) Own production

For purposes of this subchapter the term “own production”, when used with reference to wine in a bonded wine cellar, means wine produced by fermentation in the same bonded wine cellar, whether or not produced by a predecessor in interest at such bonded wine cellar. This term may also include, under regulations, wine produced by fermentation in bonded wine cellars owned or controlled by the same or affiliated persons or firms when located within the same State; the term “affiliated” shall be deemed to include any one or more bonded wine cellar proprietors associated as members of any farm cooperative, or any one or more bonded wine cellar proprietors affiliated within the meaning of section 117(a)(5) of the Federal Alcohol Administration Act, as amended (27 U.S.C. 211).

(g) Liquid sugar

For purposes of this subchapter the term “liquid sugar” means a substantially colorless pure

sugar and water solution containing not less than 60 percent pure sugar by weight (60 degrees Brix.)

(Added Pub. L. 85-859, title II, §201, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1387; amended Pub. L. 89-44, title VIII, §806(b)(3), June 21, 1965, 79 Stat. 163; Pub. L. 94-455, title XIX, §1905(a)(21), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1820; Pub. L. 115-141, div. U, title IV, §401(a)(246), Mar. 23, 2018, 132 Stat. 1195.)

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A prior section 5392, act Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 672, consisted of provisions similar to those comprising this section, prior to the general revision of this chapter by Pub. L. 85-859.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 115-141 substituted “section 117(a)(5)” for “section 17(a)(5)”.

1976—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 94-455 struck out “49 Stat. 990;” before “27 U.S.C. 211”.

1965—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 89-44, §806(b)(3)(A), added fruit, grain, or other sources of starch to cane and beets as sources of “pure sugar”.

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 89-44, §806(b)(3)(B), added subsec. (g).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1976 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 94-455 effective on first day of first month which begins more than 90 days after Oct. 4, 1976, see section 1905(d) of Pub. L. 94-455, set out as a note under section 5005 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1965 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 89-44 effective Jan. 1, 1966, see section 806(d)(2) of Pub. L. 89-44, set out as a note under section 5383 of this title.

Subchapter G—Breweries

- Part
- I. Establishment.
- II. Operations.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior subchapter G consisted of parts I and II, contained sections 5401 to 5403 and 5411 to 5416, respectively, prior to the general revision of this chapter by Pub. L. 85-859, title II, §201, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1313.

PART I—ESTABLISHMENT

- Sec.
- 5401. Qualifying documents.
- 5402. Definitions.
- 5403. Cross references.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior part I consisted of sections 5401 to 5403 of this title, prior to the general revision of this chapter by Pub. L. 85-859, title II, §201, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1313.

§ 5401. Qualifying documents

(a) Notice

Every brewer shall, before commencing or continuing business, file with the officer designated for that purpose by the Secretary a notice in writing, in such form and containing such information as the Secretary shall by regulations prescribe as necessary to protect and insure collection of the revenue.

(b) Bonds

Every brewer, on filing notice as provided by subsection (a) of his intention to commence

business, shall execute a bond to the United States in such reasonable penal sum as the Secretary shall by regulation prescribe as necessary to protect and insure collection of the revenue. The bond shall be conditioned (1) that the brewer shall pay, or cause to be paid, as herein provided, the tax required by law on all beer, including all beer removed for transfer to the brewery from other breweries owned by him as provided in section 5414; (2) that he shall pay or cause to be paid the tax on all beer removed free of tax for export as provided in section 5053(a), which beer is not exported or returned to the brewery; and (3) that he shall in all respects faithfully comply, without fraud or evasion, with all requirements of law relating to the production and sale of any beer aforesaid. Once in every 4 years, or whenever required so to do by the Secretary, the brewer shall execute a new bond or a continuation certificate, in the penal sum prescribed in pursuance of this section, and conditioned as above provided, which bond or continuation certificate shall be in lieu of any former bond or bonds, or former continuation certificate or certificates, of such brewer in respect to all liabilities accruing after its approval. If the contract of surety between the brewer and the surety on an expiring bond or continuation certificate is continued in force between the parties for a succeeding period of not less than 4 years, the brewer may submit, in lieu of a new bond, a certificate executed, under penalties of perjury, by the brewer and the surety attesting to continuation of the bond, which certificate shall constitute a bond subject to all provisions of law applicable to bonds given pursuant to this section.

(c) Exception from bond requirements for certain breweries

Subsection (b) shall not apply to any taxpayer for any period described in section 5551(d).

(Added Pub. L. 85-859, title II, §201, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1388; amended Pub. L. 91-673, §3(a), Jan. 12, 1971, 84 Stat. 2056; Pub. L. 94-455, title XIX, §1906(b)(13)(A), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1834; Pub. L. 114-113, div. Q, title III, §332(b)(2)(C), Dec. 18, 2015, 129 Stat. 3106.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 5401, act Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 674, consisted of provisions similar to those comprising this section, prior to the general revision of this chapter by Pub. L. 85-859.

AMENDMENTS

2015—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 114-113 added subsec. (c).
 1976—Pub. L. 94-455 struck out “or his delegate” after “Secretary” wherever appearing.

1971—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 91-673 permitted bonding requirement to be satisfied by continuation of an existing bond, with such continuation being subject to Government approval in the same manner as a new bond and required that the continuation certificate be executed by both the brewer and the surety, under penalties of perjury.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2015 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 114-113 applicable to any calendar quarters beginning more than 1 year after Dec. 18, 2015, see section 332(c) of Pub. L. 114-113, set out as a note under section 5061 of this title.