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2027 SPIRITS CATEGORY CODES

100 VODKA

Vodka

100.10 **A** Wheat Vodka
100.10 **B** Rye Vodka
100.10 **C** Potato Vodka
100.10 **D** Sugar Cane Vodka
100.10 **E** Corn Vodka
100.10 **F** Fruit Vodka *(specify fruit)*
100.10 **G** Mixed Grain Vodka *(specify grains)*
100.10 **H** Other Vodka *(specify)*

100.20 **Flavored Vodka** (*specify flavor*)

110 AQUAVIT

110.10 **Aquavit**

120 GIN

120.10 **London Dry Gin**

120.20 **Contemporary/New Western Gin**

120.30 **Old Tom Gin**

120.40 **Genever**

120.50 **Sloe Gin**

120.60 **Wood-Finished/Aged Gin**

120.70 **Flavored Gin** *(specify flavor)*

130 ASIAN SPIRITS

Saké

130.10 **A** Junmai Daiginjō
130.10 **B** Junmai Ginjō
130.10 **C** Junmai
130.10 **D** Daiginjō
130.10 **E** Ginjō
130.10 **F** Honjōzō
130.10 **G** Futsushu

Shōchū

For all Shōchū, please specify Honkaku, Kōrui, or Blended

130.20 **A** Rice (Kome)
130.20 **B** Sweet Potato (Imo)
130.20 **C** Barley (Mugi)
130.20 **D** Brown Sugar (Kokutō)
130.20 **E** Buckwheat (Soba)
130.20 **F** Long Grain Rice/Thai Rice (Awamori)
130.20 **G** Other (*specify*)

130 ASIAN SPIRITS (CONTINUED)

Soju

130.30 **A** Distilled
130.30 **B** Diluted
130.30 **C** Cocktail

130.40 **Makgeolli**

Baijiu

130.50 **A** Strong Aroma (浓香)
130.50 **B** Light Aroma (清香)
130.50 **C** Sauce Aroma (醬香)
130.50 **D** Rice Aroma (米香)
130.50 **E** Chi Aroma (豉香) / Fat Aroma (脂香)
130.50 **F** Extra-Strong Aroma (馥郁香)
130.50 **G** Laobaigan Aroma (老白干香)
130.50 **H** Medicine Aroma (药香)
130.50 **I** Mixed Aroma (兼香)
130.50 **J** Phoenix Aroma (凤香)
130.50 **K** Sesame Aroma (芝麻香)
130.50 **L** Small-Qu Light Aroma (小曲清香)
130.50 **M** Special Aroma (特香)

140 CANE SPIRITS

For all Rum entries in categories 140.10 and 140.20, please specify if Pot Still, Column Still, or Blended Pot and Column Still

Rum from Molasses/Evaporated Cane Product

140.10 **A** Up to 4 Years Old
140.10 **B** 5 Years and Older
140.10 **C** Solera Aged
140.10 **D** No Age Statement

Rum from Fresh Sugar Cane Juice

140.20 **A** Up to 4 Years Old
140.20 **B** 5 Years and Older
140.20 **C** Solera Aged
140.20 **D** No Age Statement

140.30 **Rhum Agricole**

140.40 **Black/Navy Rum**

Cachaça

140.50 **A** Aged
140.50 **B** Unaged

140.60 **Flavored/Spiced Rum** (*specify flavor*)

140.70 **Other Cane Spirit** (Arrak, Clairin, Aguardiente, etc.) (*specify*)

150 AGAVE AND AGAVE ADJACENT SPIRITS

Tequila

150.10 Blanco/Silver Tequila
150.20 Reposado Tequila
150.30 Añejo Tequila
150.40 Extra Añejo Tequila
150.50 Cristalino Tequila
150.60 Flavored Tequila (*specify flavor*)

Mezcal

(*specify type of agave and if Artesenal or Ancestral*)

150.70 **A** Joven/Blanco
150.70 **B** Reposado
150.70 **C** Añejo
150.70 **D** Madurado en Vidrio/Aged in Glass
150.70 **E** Flavored Mezcal (*specify flavor*)

150.80 **Other Agave or Agave Adjacent Spirit** (Raicilla, Bacanora, Sotol, etc.) (*specify*)

200 WHISK[E]Y

North American Whisk[e]y

200.10 Straight Bourbon
200.15 Small Batch Bourbon (fewer than 250 barrels produced)
200.20 Single Barrel Bourbon
200.25 Unique Barrel–Finished Bourbon
200.30 Tennessee Whiskey
200.35 Corn Whisk[e]y
200.40 Rye Whisk[e]y
200.45 Canadian Whisky
200.50 Single Grain Whisk[e]y (*specify grain*)
200.55 American Single Malt Whisk[e]y

Blended Scotch Whisky

210.10 Blended Scotch - Up to 15 Years Old
210.15 Blended Scotch - 16 Years and Older
210.20 Blended Scotch - No Age Statement
210.25 Blended Malt Scotch (Vatted)

Single Malt Scotch Whisky

For all Single Malt Scotch entries, please specify:

A *Highlands* **B** *Lowlands* **C** *Islay* **D** *Islands* **E** *Campbeltown* **F** *Speyside*

210.30 Single Malt Scotch - Up to 12 Yrs Old
210.35 Single Malt Scotch - 13 to 19 Yrs Old
210.40 Single Malt Scotch - 20 Yrs and Older
210.45 Single Malt Scotch - No Age Statement
210.50 Independent Bottler's Single Malt Scotch

200 WHISK[E]Y (CONTINUED)

Irish Whiskey
- 220.10 Blended Irish Whiskey
- 220.20 Single Malt Irish Whiskey
- 220.30 Pure/Single Pot-Still Irish Whiskey
- 220.40 Blended Malt Irish Whiskey (Vatted)
- 220.50 Poitin

Other World Whisk[e]y (Any Country)
- 230.10 Blended Whisk[e]y
- 230.20 Blended Malt (Vatted) Whisk[e]y
- 230.30 Single Malt Whisk[e]y
- 230.40 Single Grain Whisk[e]y
- 230.50 Wheat Whisk[e]y
- 230.60 Flavored Whisk[e]y *(specify flavor)*
- 230.70 Other Whisk[e]y *(specify)*

300 BRANDY

Cognac
- 300.10 Cognac - VS
- 300.20 Cognac - VSOP
- 300.30 Cognac - XO
- 300.40 Cognac - Extra Aged/Vintage

Armagnac

For all Armagnac entries, please specify:
A *Bas-Armagnac* **B** *Ténarèze*
C *Haut-Armagnac*
- 310.10 Armagnac - VS
- 310.20 Armagnac - VSOP
- 310.30 Armagnac - Napoleon/XO/Hors d'Age
- 310.40 Armagnac - Vintage
- 310.50 Armagnac - Blanche

Calvados

For all Calvados entries, please specify:
A *Pays d'Auge* **B** *Domfrontais* **C** *Calvados*
- 320.10 Calvados - Fine
- 320.20 Calvados - Vieux/Reserve
- 320.30 Calvados - VO/Vieille Reserve/VSOP
- 320.40 Calvados - XO/Napoleon/Hors d'Age
- 320.50 Calvados - Vintage

Peruvian Pisco *(specify grape varietal)*
- 330.10 **A** Puro (Non-aromatic grapes only)
- 330.10 **B** Acholado
- 330.10 **C** Aromatico
- 330.10 **D** Mosto Verde

330.20 **Chilean Pisco**

Other Grape Brandy
- 340.10 Brandy de Jerez
- 340.20 Pomace (Marc, Grappa, etc.)
- 340.30 Other Grape Brandy *(specify)*

Other Fruit Brandy
- 350.10 Apple/Applejack
- 350.20 Pear/Quince
- 350.30 Stone Fruit
- 350.40 Berries
- 350.50 Other Fruit Brandy *(specify fruit)*

360.10 **Other Brandy**

400 APÉRITIF/APERITIVO

Vermouth
- 400.10 **A** Dry Vermouth
- 400.10 **B** Sweet Vermouth

400.20 **Wine-Based Apéritif/Aperitivo**

Bitter Apéritif/Aperitivo
- 400.30 **A** After Dinner (Strong and Bitter)
- 400.30 **B** Pre-Dinner (Low Proof/Bittersweet)

500 LIQUEUR

500.10 **Fruit Liqueur** *(specify fruit)*
500.20 **Herbal/Floral Liqueur**
500.30 **Coffee Liqueur**
500.40 **Chocolate Liqueur**
500.50 **Nut Liqueur** *(specify flavor or nut)*
500.60 **Cream Liqueur**
500.70 **Other Liqueur** *(specify)*

600 BITTERS, MIXERS, AND OTHER PRODUCTS

Bitters
- 610.10 Aromatic Bitters
- 610.20 Non-Alcoholic Aromatic Bitters

Mixer
- 620.10 Soda/Carbonated
- 620.20 Syrup
- 620.30 Other Mixer (Vinegar, Kombucha, Tea, Soda Mixer with Bitters, etc.)

630.10 **Cocktail Mix** (Bloody Mary Mix, Mai Tai Mix, etc.)

640.10 **Other Miscellaneous Spirit**

700 NON-ALCOHOLIC SPIRITS, BEER, WINE, AND COCKTAILS

Non-Alcoholic Spirit Alternative
- 700.10 Gin Alternative
- 700.20 Rum Alternative
- 700.30 Tequila Alternative
- 700.40 Whiskey Alternative
- 700.50 Liqueur Alternative
- 700.60 Vermouth Alternative
- 700.70 Bitter Apéritif Alternative
- 700.80 Other Alternative

Non-Alcoholic Creative Spirit
- 710.10 Botanical
- 710.20 Hemp/Functional
- 710.30 Other NA Creative Spirit

Non-Alcoholic Beer

Non-Alcoholic Ale
- 720.10 Pale Ale/IPA
- 720.20 Wheat-based Ale
- 720.30 Porter/Stout
- 720.40 Sour/Wild/Spontaneous Fermentation

Non-Alcoholic Lager
- 720.50 Pale Malt Lager (Pilsner, Helles)
- 720.60 Dark Malt Lager (Dunkel, Bock)

Non-Alcoholic Wine (Grape)
- 730.10 Red Wine
- 730.20 White Wine
- 730.30 Sparkling Wine

Non-Alcoholic Wine Alternative
- 740.10 Non-Sparkling
- 740.20 Sparkling

READY-TO-DRINK

NEW FOR 2027! Do you have ready-to-drink or ready-to-serve cocktails you'd like to enter? See the **next page** for our L.A. RTD Awards' RTD entry codes!

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2027 READY-TO-DRINK CATEGORY CODES

900 READY-TO-DRINK COCKTAILS

- Commonly sold in single-serve packaging
- Generally intended to be enjoyed chilled, directly from its container

For all categories, please specify:

A *less than 5% ABV*

B *5%-10% ABV*

C *more than 10% ABV*

900.05 **Vodka-Based**
900.10 **Gin-Based**
900.15 **Rum-Based**
900.20 **Tequila-Based**
900.25 **Whiskey-Based**
900.30 **Brandy-Based**
900.35 **Bitter or Apéritif Cocktail**
900.40 **Wine-Based**
900.45 **Fermented/Sake/Soju-based**
900.50 **Creative/Other Ready-to-Drink Cocktail**

910 READY-TO-SERVE COCKTAILS

- Commonly sold in multi-serve packaging
- Generally intended to be enjoyed chilled, over ice in a glass

For all categories, please specify:

A *less than 5% ABV*

B *15%-25% ABV*

C *more than 25% ABV*

910.05 **Vodka-Based**
910.10 **Gin-Based**
910.15 **Rum-Based**
910.20 **Tequila-Based**
910.25 **Whiskey-Based**
910.30 **Brandy-Based**
910.35 **Bitter or Apéritif Cocktail**
910.40 **Wine-Based**
910.45 **Fermented/Sake/Soju-based**
910.50 **Creative/Other Ready-to-Serve Cocktail**

920 NON-ALCOHOLIC READY-TO-DRINK

920 10 **Traditional Cocktail**
920.20 **Bitter or Apéritif Cocktail**
920 30 **Creative/Other Cocktail**

930 OTHER READY-TO-DRINK PRODUCTS

930.10 **Hard Seltzer**
930.20 **Hard Tea**