DEADLINES: Entry Forms, May 4, 2012 Receipt of wines, May 11, 2012

2012 OC FAIR & EVENT CENTER COMMERCIAL WINE COMPETITION ENTRY INFORMATION

- **1. Eligibility:** Only wine *produced* from grapes *grown* in California and commercially available for sale in Orange County by July 1, 2012, in the following categories are eligible to be entered:
 - All varietal wines
 - All sparkling wines
 - All dessert and aperitif (fortified) wines
 - All generic wines (only those available in 1.5 liter or smaller containers)
 - All proprietary wines
 - All Italian-style, Meritage-style, and Rhone-style blends
 - All California-Rhone-style blends (may contain 25% of other varietals along with traditional Rhone grapes)

Note: Commercial availability requires that the wine be readily available for sale to Orange County merchants or consumers on July 1, 2012. The wine does not need to be present in Orange County for direct purchase at retail stores on that date to qualify.

All wines entered must meet BATF regulations and conform to applicable State of California laws regarding label terminology and designations.

Only the most current release (as of July 1, 2012) of any wine is eligible. Multiple entries of the same varietal should only be entered if there are distinct differences reflected on the label, for example: appellation, reserve, vintage vs. non-vintage, vineyard, etc.

REMEMBER, PLEASE ENTER ALL ELIGIBLE WINES!

2. Entry Form Instructions: Please complete **all** winery information on the top portion of the entry form. List entries of *secondary labels* on separate entry. Please enter winery name, mailing address, winery address and parent company. **Note**: For purposes of this competition, *negociants* are no different than actual bonded wineries.

Please fill in all information from the front label that identifies your wine.

Wine Identification - Enter in the following sequence:

Proprietary Name - Name if assigned ('Ruby Fascination')

Geographic Location - Location (Napa Valley)

Wine Designations - As applicable; vineyard, reserve, estate bottled

(Stags Leap District, Estate Bottled)

Wine Descriptions - As applicable; fermentation, finish, filtering and other data

(barrel fermented, late harvest, unfiltered, soft)

Residual Sugar % - Enter precise measured sugar level percentage,

regardless of varietal or color. Using the word "dry" is not

sufficient.

Submitted Bottle - Enter the bottle size and the suggested retail price of the bottle size

submitted.

NOTE: Wines are judged by type or varietal in price and sugar categories; therefore, it is important that entries be completely accurate so that your wines will be judged in their appropriate categories.

3. Bottle Entry: Please submit six (6) 750 ml. bottles or equivalent of each wine entered.

4. Shipping Instructions: Please ship a *copy* of your entry form with the six (6) 750 ml. bottles of each wine to arrive <u>NO LATER THAN MAY 11, 2012</u>. Early shipments will be greatly appreciated. Include four labels of each entry to be entered in our label competition. The entry form and labels must read the same in order to ensure proper information in the Award Book.

Ship all wines freight *prepaid* - no CODs will be accepted.

Mark all boxes on the outside "OCWS WINE COMPETITION". If you are shipping more than one box, please mark all boxes "1 of 3", "2 of 3", "3 of 3", etc.

Please ship your wines as soon as possible. Late shipments may cause a wine to show poorly or to be inadvertently omitted from the judging. If a local distributor is used to deliver your wines, please make sure they are aware of the delivery deadlines. Pack your wines well.

Ship wines to: COMMERCIAL WINE COMPETITION

OC FAIR & EVENT CENTER

88 FAIR DRIVE

COSTA MESA, CA 92626

Hand deliver wines to: COMMERCIAL WINE COMPETITION

OC FAIR & EVENT CENTER GATE 5, ARLINGTON AVENUE COSTA MESA, CA 92626

- 5. Entry Fees: There are no fees for entry.
- **Further Information:** If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact OCWS at (714)708-1636 or FAX (714)546-5002.