

**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.

