

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE SHIPMENT(S) STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

1) Alcoholic beverages are not considered by Customs and Boarder Protection (CBP) to be either household goods or personal effects. Consequently, they are not eligible for duty-free treatment on entry to the United States. Because imports of alcoholic beverages are subject to state regulation, it is very important that I do my homework before I ship alcoholic beverages to the Continental United States (CONUS).

2) I must inform the Carrier/Transportation Service Provider (TSP) Pre-Move Surveyor/Inspector at the time of my Pre-Move survey of my intent to ship alcoholic beverages. **I understand the Carrier/TSP has the right to refuse to pack alcoholic beverages without penalty.** Failure to inform the Carrier/TSP of my intent to ship alcoholic beverages can result in my shipment not being picked up on the scheduled date. By electing government-procured transportation to ship alcoholic beverages, I understand there is **no climate control environment during transit or storage, and shipments are often exposed to extreme temperatures. While rare, this may cause some alcoholic beverages to freeze, explode or spoil.**

3) I must contact the State Alcohol Control Board at my destination(s) to determine whether any taxes/duties/permits are required. I can use the following web page for a list of State Alcohol Control Boards: **<http://www.ttb.gov/wine/state-ABC.shtml>**.

4) **I understand that inclusion of alcoholic beverages counts toward my authorized weight allowance. When packed inside Personal Property shipments, the unopened bottles/containers may leak and cause significant damage to my personal property. Damages caused by liquids associated with alcoholic beverages or other potentially hazardous materials may delay my claim for Full Replacement Value of those damaged items. Further, I understand that if I fail to obtain the correct importation documentation, the entire shipping container may become frustrated at the Customs and Border Protection impound area. Should that occur, I may be held responsible for all costs associated with delays to other shipments inside the container, including local drayage and other expenses associated with the delay.** _____(Initials are required).

5) Required documents must be turned in to my Counselor prior to shipment award:

a) Listing of all alcoholic beverages in the following format:

	Producer	Type/Style	Year	Size	Alcohol %	Unit Cost	Qty	Total Cost	Origin
1	Santa Margherita Pino Grigio	White/red	2017	750 ml	6.5 %	\$16.00	2	\$32.00	Italy
2	Chardonnay	Red	2003			\$4.00	2	\$8.00	Germany
	Total					\$20.00			

b) **Special Power of Attorney** for Transportation Service Providers (TSPs), destination and origin shipping agents, and local agents for the authority to clear the alcoholic beverage shipment(s) through all Customs and Border Protection offices and areas of responsibility. Declaration for free entry of unaccompanied articles (CBP Form 7501 & 3299) are attached to this document for each shipment.

c) **Documented evidence of correspondence with the State Alcohol Control Board(s) based on the destination(s) of the alcoholic beverages, and evidence of any payments made when required.**

6) I understand I am responsible for completing the requirements for the shipment of alcoholic beverages to my destination(s) when shipped with my HHGs and/or when shipped as a Personally Procured Move(s).

X _____
Print Full Name

X _____
Signature & Date