



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### DUTY

Your product is going to a duty suspense warehouse. Please mark your product as “NIL COMMERCIAL VALUE”. We suggest you use carriers other than FedEx Express and DHL Express as they are unable to process the Ark Number and so duty will be charged if you use their services.

### BOTTLE / CAN / PET

Depending upon the size of your smallpack, up to **10 sample bottles/cans are required:**

- Up to 330ml – 10 bottles/cans
- 331ml – 600ml – 6 bottles/cans
- 600ml and above – 4 bottles/cans

***Please note that, for the first time, a consumer facing International Brewing & Cider Festival will be held on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March and Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, showcasing the international beers and ciders entered into the competition. If you would like to send an extra package to ensure your product will be showcased in the Festival (free sampling by Festival goers (up to 50cl) of all entries into the Awards) please tick the box on the entry form so we know to expect them.***

Labels showing the class number must be attached to bottles or cans. If your cider is cloudy, you should attach the label to the upper or lower half of the class label. Please attach any labels to the back of the bottle avoiding the brand label.

**Pack in sturdy crates or cases** suitable for the long journey. Use plenty of packing to ensure there are no breakages in transit. **Please avoid the use of packing granules**, plastic ‘air’ pockets or scrunched up bubble wrap hold the load more firmly.

Please securely tape the correct class card to the relevant box with your unique cider mill entrant number to opposite ends of each parcel. If you are sending your entry in more than one package, please photocopy the class and cider mill entrant card. If you are sending multiple samples in one box please include the correct class card on each case and then the unique cider mill entrant number on the overall boxes.

### KEG

Please securely tape the correct class card and your unique cider mill entrant number on to each end of the keg, ensuring the same number is on both ends. **Please attach the peach card**, stating gas and extractor type and temperature for dispense.

If you are sending your own keg coupler or orifice plates for the dispense taps, ensure they are securely attached to the top of the keg.

If you do not wish to collect your keg, after the competitions, please tick the declaration on the peach label.

**Note.** Only competition organiser personnel are allowed to fit dispense equipment. No other persons will be admitted into the installation area.

## CASK

Please ensure that the casks are closed with only plain wood or white plastic closures. The cask must allow traditional belly stillage with dispense via a keystone tap. The organisers cannot accept 'upright' keg type containers dispensed using gas pressure.

Please securely tape the correct class card and your unique cider mill entrant number on to each end of the keg, ensuring the same number is on both ends. Please ensure the racking and best before dates are included on the cask.

## DESPATCH

Entries from the UK and overseas must arrive at MCBC Trade Team. The delivery window is from **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024** to **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024**. You can deliver Monday – Friday from 8am – 4pm.

If your sample is unable to be delivered within the dates and time please let us know so that we can make other arrangements.

Please monitor the delivery of your samples and complete the confirmation of delivery of sample forms which is included in your entrant pack or available from the website and submit to [entries@ciderawards.org](mailto:entries@ciderawards.org)

Please ensure the following address and the relevant entry code is on any item you send and your unique cider mill entrant number is attached to both ends of the package with the below address.

Trader Number: **GBWK745774690**  
Warehouse Approval numbers:  
  
CIDER: **GB00002411717**  
  
National Distribution Centre (NDC)  
**c/o. TRADE TEAM**  
Fourth Avenue  
Centrum 100 Business Park  
Burton upon Trent  
Staffordshire DE14 2WT **United Kingdom**

## COLLECTION

Crates and cases will not be returned.

Casks and Kegs will be put into the Kegwatch recovery system.

If you do not wish to collect your keg please tick the declaration on the peach label.

## ORGANISERS

The International Cider Awards is organised and owned by BFBi.