



SPECIAL NOTICE

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Revisions to the Beer Manufacturer Tax Return *and* Launch of New Online Filing Effective August 12, 2019

Your *Beer Manufacturer Tax Return* will be revised and your beer manufacturer account will be included in our online services system on August 12, 2019. To help you prepare, here are some important details about reporting changes and filing online with the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration (CDTFA).

What to expect

CDTFA-501-BM, *Beer Manufacturer Tax Return*:

- Beer exported or sold for export within the United States and outside the United States will be reported on separate lines.
- Cider and Perry (made from apples or pears) should be included as *Other Taxable Transactions* reported on the return.
- You are required to file the *Beer Imported into California Report* to document import activity.

CDTFA-269-BM, *Beer Imported into California Report*:

- New columns:
 - *Mode Code* (R = Railcar, S = Ship, and J = Truck) to report how the shipment entered California
 - *Common Carrier's CDTFA Account Number*
 - *Beer Vendor's CDTFA Account Number*
 - You may locate these account numbers on our [Alcoholic Beverage Tax Page](https://www.cdtfa.ca.gov/taxes-and-fees/alcoholic-beverage-tax.htm) located at <https://www.cdtfa.ca.gov/taxes-and-fees/alcoholic-beverage-tax.htm>.
- Other information required to document beer entering California:
 - Shipper name, state or country
 - Name of common carrier
 - Railcar, voyage, or trailer number
 - Waybill, bill of lading, or freight bill number and document date
 - Name of beer vendor and invoice number
 - Date shipment was received and number of case and/or keg gallons

File online

Go Paperless! You may file your return in our online services system, CDTFA's preferred filing method.

- You will be able to upload your report or add records individually with your return.

- We will email you a courtesy reminder prior to each filing due date to the email address we have on file.
- Your CDTFA Account Number, Reporting Period, and Business Address will be automatically populated when filing online. When filing by paper, you will need to complete this portion of the report manually.
- You will be able to file an amended return online for reporting periods after August 2019.

How to login:

- The current *User ID, Password, and Express Login* for this account will not be moved to the new online services system.
- You will need to sign up for a new *Username and Password*. We will mail a security code to the address we have on file so you can complete the login process. Watch for our letter with information about how to sign up.

What should you do to prepare?

Please confirm or update your email and mailing address with us at STFRegUpdates@cdtfa.ca.gov or call our Customer Service Center at 1-800-400-7115 (TTY:711), then select the *Special Taxes and Fees* option and follow the prompts for *Alcoholic Beverage Taxes*. Customer service representatives are available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Pacific time), except state holidays.

What if you have questions?

For more information on the upcoming changes to our online services, please see our FAQ page at www.cdtfa.ca.gov/services/cros.htm.