



SPECIAL NOTICE

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

Your *Common Carriers Tax Return* will be revised and your distilled spirits common carrier 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-DC, *Common Carriers Tax Return*:

- You will report distilled spirits to the nearest whole “wine” gallon. The quantity in liters shall be multiplied by 0.264172, as required by [Alcoholic Beverage Tax Regulation 2544](#).
- You will no longer need to report:
 - Total number of bottles sold and bottle size
 - Total milliliter/liters

File online

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

- You will be able to file your return online beginning with the following reporting period:
 - Monthly Reporting – August 2019 due in October 2019
 - Quarterly Reporting – 3rd Quarter 2019 due in November 2019
- 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 return 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.

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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.