Craft Beverage Modernization and Tax Reform Act of 2017 (CBMA) Webinar

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The 'Act'

The *Craft Beverage Modernization and Tax Reform Act of 2017* (*CBMA*) passed as part of the *Tax Cut and Jobs Act of 2017*. CBMA amended the Internal Revenue Code with respect to the tax treatment of certain imported and domestically produced alcoholic beverages, including beer, wine and distilled spirits.



The 'Facts'

- Import date for eligible shipments is from January 1, 2018 until December 31, 2019.
- Reduced rates effective during calendar years 2018 and 2019
- Quantitative limitations apply to the Controlled Group, not importer or domestic producer
- Foreign producer driven (Allocation Required via Assignment Certification)
- TTB administers domestic side of CBMA
- CBP administers foreign exports side of CBMA
- CBMA excise tax rates for calendar years 2018 and 2019 are available at https://www.ttb.gov/tax_audit/taxrates.shtml



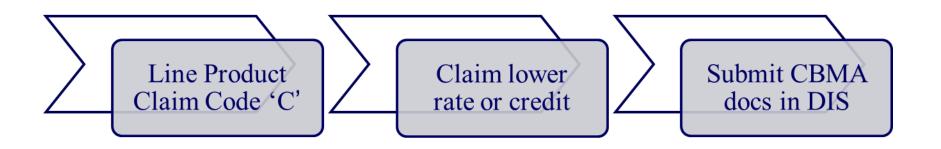
CBMA Procedures and Requirements

On October 16, 2018, CBP published CSMS #18-000609, outlining the Procedures and Requirements for filing CBMA claims:

- Product Claim Code 'C' to identify CBMA claims
 - CBMA Claims at Entry/Entry Summary
 - Using Post Summary Corrections (PSC) to claim lower CBMA rates and credits
 - Filing Protest to claim the lower CBMA rates and credits
- CBMA Supporting Documents required to complete claim
- Document Image System (DIS) submissions



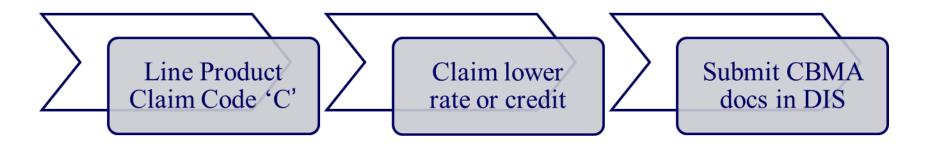
Claiming CBMA Lower Rate or Credit at Entry/Entry Summary



Input the value 'C' in the 'Product Claim Code' field in the Line Item Header Grouping (40-record) of the entry summary submission. The harmonized tariff record in ACE has been updated to reflect CBMA rates. After successful submission of entry summary, upload supporting documents in to DIS.



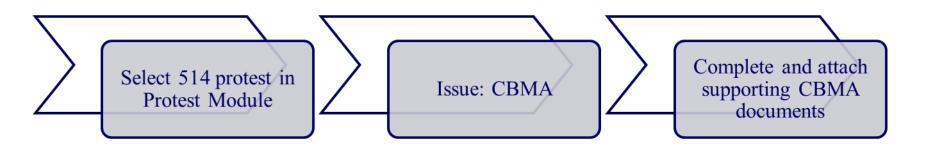
Filing CBMA Post Summary Corrections (PSC)



Input the value 'C' in the 'Product Claim Code' field in the Line Item Header Grouping (40-record) of the entry summary submission. The harmonized tariff record in ACE has been updated to reflect lower CBMA rates. After successful submission of the PSC, upload supporting documents in to DIS. Filer/Importer may receive a 'docs required' message after PSC transmission. This is not a request for entry summary documents, but CBMA supporting documents. Please upload documents into DIS.



CMBA Electronic Protest



CMBA Paper Protests





The Assignment Certification



AleWorx. Beer Lane 82, 10409, Berlin, Germany. Est. 1882

ASSIGNING ENTITY CERTIFICATION

I Sherry Hops, Chief Executive Officer, currently employed by WorxGroup, Beer Lane 82, 10409, Berlin, Germany and authorized to bind the company, certify that WorxGroup is the producer/manufacturer of the imported Beer that is subject to a Craft Beverage Modernization and Tax Reform Act (CBMA) claim. I certify that I assigned ImportWorx to receive the \$16 tax rate for 6,000,000 Barrels for 2018 calendar year. I certify that this assignment and any other assignment given by WorxGroup during this calendar year does not exceed the production of AleWorx during 2018 calendar year. I certify that WorxGroup has not assigned more Barrels to this importer or any other importer, individually or collectively, to receive a reduced tax rate/tax credit than is permissible by the CBMA.

- Assignment Certifications must be submitted on the letterhead of the assigning entity (foreign producer).
- Assignment Certifications should be submitted to DIS and linked to the IOR number of the importer receiving an assignment.



Assignment Certification Guidelines

Do:

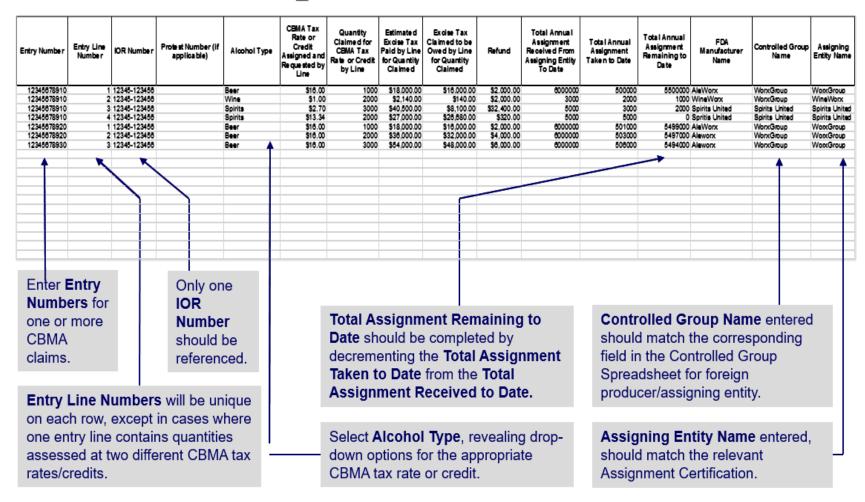
- Submit Assignment Certifications on the letterhead of the assigning entity.
- Adhere to the document naming convention described in the instructions and replace all words in brackets with the actual Assigning Entity name.
 - CBP156-[Assigning_Entity_Name]_[Calendar Year]_Assignment_Certification.pdf
- Use the DIS document label "CBMA_PRODUCER_CERTIFICATE" when submitting the Assignment Certification to DIS.
- Only save files in the .pdf file format.
- Submit a new Assignment Certification for any new or additional assignments received.

Please Do Not:

• Edit the text or format of the template, except to insert information where necessary.



The CBMA Spreadsheet





CBMA Spreadsheet Guidelines

- Fill in all data fields possible, to the best of your ability. Missing information may result in liquidation without the benefit of the CBMA rate.
- Adhere to the document naming convention described in the instructions and replace all words in brackets with the actual entry number that the CBMA Spreadsheet is linked to:
 - CBP155-[Entry Number the CBMA Spreadsheet is Linked to]_CBMA Spreadsheet.xlsx
- Use the document label "CBMA_IMPORTER_SPREADSHEET" when submitting the CBMA Spreadsheet to DIS.
- Adhere to drop-down values where applicable (ie: Alcohol Type, CBMA Tax Rate or Credit Assigned and Requested by Line).
- Only save files in .xlsx format.
- Use caution if employing copy/paste—this method is likely to result in error.

Please Do Not:

- Include hyphens in Entry Line or Entry Line Number fields.
- Edit the pre-set data validations in the spreadsheets.
- Enter words as text (i.e. "gallons" or "proof liters") in fields that request only numeric values.



The Controlled Group Spreadsheet

	Controlled Group Member Information											Annual Production		
OR Number Group Name	7.77	Controlled Group Member Address Line 1	Controlled Group Member Address Line 2	Controlled Group Member City	Controlled Group Member State/Province	Controlled Group Member Postal Code	Controlled Group Member Country	Controlled Group Member Phone Number	Controlled Group Member Email	Foreign or Domestic Control Group Member	Beer	Wine and Cider	Spirits	
2345-12845EWorxGroup	AleWorx	81 Beer Lane		Berlin	Berlin		Germany	498768764	aleworx@won	Foreign	8000000			
2345-12845EWorxGroup	WineWorx	82 Beer Lane		Berlin	Berlin		Germany	498736584	winework@wo	Foreign		5000		
2345-12845€WorxGroup	AmericaWorx	58 IPA Blvd.		Washington D.C.	District of Columbia	20001	United States	12028676785	americaworx@	Domestic	500000			
Controlled Group Name should be duplicated on each line. Each Controlled Group Spreadsheet should contain information pertaining to only one Controlled Group.								Member (incorp States	er as eit orated or "Do	tions to d Group reign" the Unite	d			
Enter the IOR Number for the importer filing this document. Duplicate the IOR Number on each row.				On each row, enter information about a different producer within the Controlled Group. Include all related producers—subsidiary, parent or otherwise associated with the Controlled Group Name entered.						ne, beer listed C	or spirits	for eac		



Controlled Group Spreadsheet Guidelines

Do:

- List all related producers, foreign or domestic, whether or not you import from that specific entity.
- List only producers as Controlled Group Members. Importers need not be reported.
- Adhere to the document naming convention described in the instructions and replace the words in brackets with the actual name of the Controlled Group.
- CBP154-[Controlled_Group_Name]_Controlled_Group_Spreadsheet.xlsx
- Use the document label "CBMA_CONTROLLED_GROUP" when submitting the Controlled Group Spreadsheet to DIS.
- Only save files in .xlsx file format.
- Use caution if employing copy/paste—this method is likely to result in error.

Please Do Not:

- Edit the pre-set data validations in the spreadsheets
- In data fields that require numeric values, do not enter words (i.e. "gallons" or "proof liters")



Questions?

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