Standard 2.7.3

Fruit Wine and Vegetable Wine

Purpose

This Standard defines the terms fruit and/or vegetable wine, fruit wine and/or vegetable wine product, mead and associated products, and sets out compositional requirements for those products.

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1 Interpretation

In this Standard-

cider means the fruit wine prepared from the juice or must of apples and no more than 25 % of the juice or must of pears.

fruit wine and/or vegetable wine means the product prepared from the complete or partial fermentation of fruit, vegetable, grains and/or cereals or preparations of those foods, other than that produced solely from grapes.

fruit wine and/or vegetable wine product means a food containing no less than 700 mL/L of fruit wine and/or vegetable wine, which has been formulated, processed, modified or mixed with other foods such that it is not a fruit wine and/or vegetable wine.

mead means the product prepared from the complete or partial fermentation of honey.

perry means the fruit wine prepared from the juice or must of pears and no more than 25 % of the juice or must of apples.

2 Composition

Fruit wine, vegetable wine and mead may contain -

- (a) fruit juice and fruit juice products; and
- (b) vegetable juice and vegetable juice products; and
- (c) sugars; and

- (d) honey; and
- (e) spices; and
- (f) alcohol; and
- (g) water.

Editorial note:

Additive permissions and permitted processing aids for the products referred to in this Standard are contained in Standards 1.3.1 (Food Additives) and 1.3.3 (Processing Aids) respectively.

Specific labelling requirements for alcoholic beverages are contained in Standard 2.7.1.