NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** UNITED KINGDOM  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA)  **Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:**  UK TBT Enquiry Point  Trade Policy, Implementation and Negotiations  Department for Business and Trade  Old Admiralty Building  London  SW1A 2DY  [tbtenquiriesuk@businessandtrade.gov.uk](mailto:tbtenquiriesuk@businessandtrade.gov.uk) |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [****X],** **2.10.1 [****],** **5.6.2 [****],** **5.7.1 [****], 3.2 [****], 7.2 [****],** **other****:** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):**   1. Wine made of fresh grapes, including fortified wines (HS: 2204) 2. Other fermented beverages (for example, cider, perry, mead, sake (HS:2206) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** The Wine (Amendment) (England) (No. 2) Regulations 2024; (4 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Statutory Instrument, covering England only, is set to:   * Allow the **transformation of imported wine products,** i.e. for sweetening or carbonating bulk imported wine or produce wine from imported grapes. * Make some changes to **wine labelling rules** on the nature and origin of the products. * Publish and update the list of approved **oenological practices and processes** on GOV.UK. * Allow the production and marketing of **no and low alcohol wine.** * Make **4.5% the minimum abv** (alcohol by volume) for all naturally produced wine. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:**   * To help meet consumer demand and support local employment. * Ensure consumers remain clear on the nature and origin of the products they are purchasing. * Help producers access latest approved winemaking techniques. * Support wine in competing with beer and cider low and no alcohol alternatives as a mainstream consumer offering. * Ensure parity in rules governing the production of Geographical Indication (GI) and non-GI wine. * To support trade practices that help to reduce CO2 emissions.   Consumer information, labelling; Reducing trade barriers and facilitating trade; Cost saving and productivity enhancement |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   * *Draft Statutory Instrument* 'The Wine (Amendment) (England) (No. 2) Regulations 2024' * *Legislation this SI is amending:* * [Council Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013](https://www.legislation.gov.uk/eur/2013/1308/contents) * [Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/33](https://www.legislation.gov.uk/eur/2019/33/contents) * [Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/934](https://www.legislation.gov.uk/eur/2019/934)   *Previous consultation and consultation response (2023):* [Wine: reforms to retained EU law - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)](https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/wine-reforms-to-retained-eu-law) |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** November 2024  **Proposed date of entry into force:** May 2025 |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [****X]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  UK TBT Enquiry Point  Trade Policy, Implementation and Negotiations  Department for Business and Trade  Old Admiralty Building  London  SW1A 2DY  [tbtenquiriesuk@businessandtrade.gov.uk](mailto:tbtenquiriesuk@businessandtrade.gov.uk)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/TBT/GBR/24_02442_00_e.pdf> |