

## Entry Instructions for Mead

If any of these mead styles is entered with just a style name and no description, it is very unlikely that judges will understand how to judge it.

Default attributes assumed by Judges if you do not specify:

- semi-sweet,
- petillant,
- standard-strength mead
- with no varietal honey character and no special ingredients

To get the best possible score for your entry, you need to give the judges all of the information about your mead.

All Mead entries **must** include this information:

- Carbonation Level: Still, Petillant/Lightly Carbonated, or Sparkling/Highly Carbonated
- Strength: Hydromel/Light Mead, Standard Mead, or Sack/Strong Mead
- Sweetness Level: Dry, Semi-sweet/Medium, Sweet

Optional Information (if applicable):

- Honey varieties
- Source and season for honey

Additional information specific to styles must also be included.

### Information Specific to Styles

BJCP Code	SSCF Code	Name	Info Needed	Notes
M1A	41-1	Dry Mead	Specify carbonation level Specify strength	Sweetness is assumed to be Dry
M1B	41-2	Semi-Sweet Mead	Specify carbonation level Specify strength	Sweetness is assumed to be SEMI-SWEET in this category.
M1C	41-3	Sweet Mead	Specify carbonation level Specify strength	Sweetness is assumed to be SWEET in this category.

BJCP Code	SSCF Code	Name	Info Needed	Notes
M2A	42-1	Cyser	Specify carbonation level Specify strength Specify sweetness May specify honey varieties May specify the varieties of apple used; if specified, a varietal character will be expected	Products with a relatively low proportion of honey are better entered as a Specialty Cider. A spiced cyser should be entered as a Fruit and Spice Mead. A cyser with other fruit should be entered as a Melomel. A cyser with additional ingredients should be entered as an Experimental Mead.
M2B	42-2	Pyment	Specify carbonation level Specify strength Specify sweetness May specify honey varieties. May specify the varieties of grape used; if specified, a varietal character will be expected.	A spiced pyment (hippocras) should be entered as a Fruit and Spice Mead. A pyment made with other fruit should be entered as a Melomel. A pyment with other ingredients should be entered as an Experimental Mead.
M2C	42-3	Berry Mead	Specify carbonation level Specify strength Specify sweetness May specify honey varieties. Must specify the varieties of fruit used.	A mead made with both berries and non-berry fruit (including apples and grapes) should be entered as a Melomel. A berry mead that is spiced should be entered as a Fruit and Spice Mead. A berry mead containing other ingredients should be entered as an Experimental Mead.

BJCP Code	SSCF Code	Name	Info Needed	Notes
M2D	42-4	Stone Fruit Mead	<p>Specify carbonation level</p> <p>Specify strength</p> <p>Specify sweetness</p> <p>May specify honey varieties. Must specify the varieties of fruit used.</p>	<p>A stone fruit mead that is spiced should be entered as a Fruit and Spice Mead.</p> <p>A stone fruit mead that contains non-stone fruit should be entered as a Melomel.</p> <p>A stone fruit mead that contains other ingredients should be entered as an Experimental Mead.</p>
M2E	42-5	Melomel	<p>Specify carbonation level</p> <p>Specify strength</p> <p>Specify sweetness</p> <p>May specify honey varieties. Must specify the varieties of fruit used.</p>	<p>A melomel that is spiced should be entered as a Fruit and Spice Mead.</p> <p>A melomel containing other ingredients should be entered as an Experimental Mead.</p> <p>Melomels made with either apples or grapes as the only fruit source should be entered as a Cyser or Pymment, respectively.</p> <p>Melomels with apples or grapes, plus other fruit should be entered in this category, not Experimental Mead</p>

BJCP Code	SSCF Code	Name	Info Needed	Notes
M3A	43-1	Fruit and Spice Mead	<p>Specify carbonation level</p> <p>Specify strength</p> <p>Specify sweetness</p> <p>May specify honey varieties</p> <p>MUST specify the types of spices used, (although well-known spice blends may be referred to by common name, such as apple pie spices).</p> <p>MUST specify the types of fruits used.</p>	<p>If only combinations of spices are used, enter as a Spice, Herb, or Vegetable Mead.</p> <p>If only combinations of fruits are used, enter as a Melomel.</p> <p>If other types of ingredients are used, enter as an Experimental Mead.</p>
M3B	43-2	Spice, Herb or Vegetable Mead	<p>Specify carbonation level</p> <p>Specify strength</p> <p>Specify sweetness</p> <p>May specify honey varieties</p> <p>MUST specify the types of spices used (although well-known spice blends may be referred to by common name, such as apple pie spices).</p>	
M4A	44-1	Braggot	<p>Specify carbonation level</p> <p>Specify strength</p> <p>Specify sweetness</p> <p>May specify honey varieties</p> <p>May specify the base style or beer or types of malt used.</p>	<p>Products with a relatively low proportion of honey should be entered as an Alternative Sugar Beer.</p>

BJCP Code	SSCF Code	Name	Info Needed	Notes
M4B	44-2	Historical Mead	Specify carbonation level Specify strength Specify sweetness May specify honey varieties Must <b>specify</b> the special nature of the mead, providing a description of the mead for judges if no such description is available from the BJCP.	
M4C	44-3	Experimental Mead	Specify carbonation level Specify strength Specify sweetness May specify honey varieties Must specify the special nature of the mead, whether it is a combination of existing styles, an experimental mead, or some other creation. Any special ingredients that impart an identifiable character may be declared.	

## Entry Instructions for Cider

If any of these cider styles is entered with just a style name and no description, it is very unlikely that judges will understand how to judge it.

To get the best possible score for your entry, you need to give the judges all of the information about your cider.

### Information Specific to Styles

BJCP Code	SSCF Code	Name	Info Needed	Notes
C1A	51-1	New World Cider	Specify carbonation level (3 levels). Specify sweetness (5 categories).	If OG is substantially above typical range, entrant should explain, e.g., particular variety of apple giving high-gravity juice.
C1B	51-2	English Cider	Specify carbonation level (3 levels). Specify sweetness (dry through medium-sweet, 4 levels).	Entrants MAY specify variety of apple for a single varietal cider; if specified, varietal character will be expected.
C1C	51-3	French Cider	Specify carbonation level (3 levels). Specify sweetness (medium to sweet only, 3 levels).	Entrants MAY specify variety of apple for a single varietal cider; if specified, varietal character will be expected.
C1D	51-4	New World Perry	Specify carbonation level (3 levels). Specify sweetness (5 categories).	
C1E	51-5	Traditional Perry	Specify carbonation level (3 levels). Specify sweetness (5 categories). State variety of pear(s) used.	

BJCP Code	SSCF Code	Name	Info Needed	Notes
C2A	52-1	New England Cider	Specify if the cider was barrel-fermented or aged. Specify carbonation level (3 levels). Specify sweetness (5 levels).	
C2B	52-1	Cider with Other Fruit	Specify carbonation level (3 levels). Specify sweetness (5 categories). Specify all fruit(s) and/or fruit juice(s) added.	
C2C	52-3	Applewine	Specify carbonation level (3 levels). Specify sweetness (5 levels).	
C2D	52-1	Ice Cider	Specify starting gravity, final gravity or residual sugar, and alcohol level. Specify carbonation level (3 levels).	
C2E	52-5	Cider with Herbs/Spices	Specify carbonation level (3 levels). Specify sweetness (5 categories). Specify <i>all</i> botanicals added. If hops are used, specify variety/varieties used.	
C2F	52-6	Specialty Cider/Perry	Must specify all ingredients. Specify carbonation level (3 levels). Specify sweetness (5 categories).	