CHAPTER 6
STANDARDS OF FILL

CURRENT

For containers other than cans:

1.75 Liters  200 ml
1 Liter       100 ml
750 ml       50 ml
375 ml

NOTE: 500 ml was an authorized standard of fill for bottling until June 30, 1989

For cans:

355 ml
200 ml
100 ml
50 ml

PRE-1980

STANDARDS OF FILL

For distilled spirits other than liqueurs/cordials, bitters, recognized cocktails and distilled spirits specialties bottled before January 1, 1980:

1 gallon 4/5 pint
½ gallon ½ pint
1 quart 1/8 pint
4/5 quart 1/10 pint
1 pint 1/16 pint (for brandy only)

For liqueurs/cordials, bitters, recognized cocktails and distilled spirits specialties bottled before January 1, 1980:

There are no standards of fill

If not bottled in one of the sizes listed in this section (“PRE-1980”), net contents must be expressed in gallons, quarts, pints, fluid ounces
• LABELING NOTE

For distilled spirits bottled before January 1, 1980, the net contents statement must appear on the FRONT of the container

• DOCUMENTATION

Documentation of bottling or packing prior to January 1, 1980 must accompany the application for certificate of label approval (COLA):

For domestic distilled spirits, documentation is a bottling record

For imported distilled spirits, documentation is a bottling date certificate issued by an authorized certifying official in the country of origin or country of bottling

**NOTE:** The documentation requirement also applies to distilled spirits bottled before July 1, 1989 in 500 ml containers