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Sec. 5178. - Premises of distilled spirits plants

(a) Location, construction, and arrangement

(1) General

(A) The premises of a distilled spirits plant shall be as described in the application required by section 5171(c). The Secretary shall prescribe such regulations relating to the location, construction, arrangement, and protection of distilled spirits plants as he deems necessary to facilitate inspection and afford adequate security to the revenue.

(B) No distilled spirits plant for the production of distilled spirits shall be located in any dwelling house, in any shed, yard, or enclosure connected with any dwelling house, or on board any vessel or boat, or on premises where beer or wine is made or produced, or liquors of any description are retailed, or on premises where any other business is carried on (except when authorized under subsection (b)).

(C) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter relating to distilled spirits plants the Secretary may approve the location, construction, arrangement, and method of operation of any establishment which was qualified to operate on the date preceding the effective date of this section if he deems that such location, construction, arrangement, and method of operation will afford adequate security to the revenue.

(2) Production operations

(A) Any person establishing a distilled spirits plant may, as described in his application for registration, produce distilled spirits from any source or substance.

(B) The distilling system shall be continuous and shall be so designed and constructed and so connected as to prevent the unauthorized removal of distilled spirits before their production gauge.

(C) The Secretary is authorized to order and require -

(i) such identification of, changes of, and additions to, distilling apparatus, connecting pipes, pumps, tanks, and any machinery connected with or used in or on the premises, and

(ii) such fastenings, locks, and seals to be part of any of the stills, tubs, pipes, tanks, and other equipment, as he may deem necessary to facilitate inspection and afford adequate security to the revenue.

(3) Warehousing operations

(A) Any person establishing a distilled spirits plant for the production of distilled spirits may, as described in the application for registration, warehouse bulk distilled spirits on the bonded premises of such plant.

(B) Distilled spirits plants for the bonded warehousing of bulk distilled spirits elsewhere than as described in subparagraph (A) may be established at the discretion of the Secretary by proprietors referred to in subparagraph (A) or by other persons under such regulations as the Secretary shall prescribe.

(4) Processing operations

Any person establishing a distilled spirits plant may, as described in the application for registration, process distilled spirits on the bonded premises of such plant.

(b) Use of premises for other businesses

The Secretary may authorize the carrying on of such other businesses (not specifically prohibited by section 5601(a)(6)) on premises of distilled spirits plants, as he finds will not jeopardize the revenue. Such other businesses shall not be carried on until an application to carry on such business has been made to and approved by the Secretary.

(c) cross references

(1) For provisions authorizing the Secretary to require installation of meters, tanks, and other apparatus, see section 5552.

(2) For penalty for distilling on prohibited premises, see section 5601(a)(6).

(3) For provisions relating to the bottling of distilled spirits labeled as alcohol, see section 5235.

(4) For provisions relating to the unauthorized use of distilled spirits in any manufacturing process, see section 5601(a)(9)

Sec. 5180. - Signs

(a) Requirements

Every person engaged in distilled spirits operations shall place and keep conspicuously on the outside of his place of business a sign showing the name of such person and denoting the business, or businesses, in which engaged. The sign required by this subsection shall be in such form and contain such information as the Secretary shall by regulations prescribe.

(b) Penalty

For penalty and forfeiture relating to failure to post sign or improperly posting such sign, see section 5681

§ 19.274 Pipelines.

(a) General.

(1) Pipelines for the conveyance of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines shall be of permanent character and constructed, connected, arranged, and secured so as to afford adequate protection to the revenue and to permit ready examination. However, the appropriate TTB officer may approve pipelines which may not be readily examined if no jeopardy to the revenue is created.

(2) Where a pipeline connection must be flexible, a hose may be used if connected and secured so as to protect the revenue.

(b) Identification.

The appropriate TTB officer may require permanent pipelines for conveyance of spirits or denatured spirits to be color coded to provide identification. (Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178))

§ 19.278 Identification of structures, areas, apparatus, and equipment.

(a) Each room or enclosed area where spirits, denatured spirits, articles, wine, distilling or fermenting materials, or containers are held, and each building, within the plant, shall be appropriately marked with a distinguishing number or letter.
(b) Each tank or receptacle for spirits, denatured spirits, or wine shall be marked to show a unique serial number and capacity.

(c) Each still, fermenter, cooker, and yeast tank shall be numbered and marked to show its use.

(d) All other major equipment used for processing or containing spirits, denatured spirits, or wine, or distilling or fermenting material, and all other tanks, shall be identified as to use unless the intended purpose is readily apparent.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178))

§ 19.587 Pipelines.

Pursuant to the provisions of this part, pipelines which conform to the requirements of §19.274 may be used for (a) the conveyance on bonded premises of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, and wines, and (b) the conveyance to and from bonded premises of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, and wines. (Sec. 201, Pub. L 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206))

§ 19.588 Construction of bulk conveyances.

(a) Construction.

All bulk conveyances authorized by this part shall conform to the following: (1) If the conveyance consists of two or more compartments, each shall be so constructed or arranged that emptying of any compartment will not afford access to the contents of any other compartment.

(2) The conveyance (or in the case of compartmented conveyances, each compartment) shall be so arranged that it can be completely drained.

(3) Each tank car or tank truck shall have permanently and legibly marked thereon its number, capacity in wine gallons, and the name or symbol of its owner.

(4) If the conveyance consists of two or more compartments, each compartment shall be identified and the capacity of each shall be marked thereon.

(5) A route board, or other suitable device, for carrying required marks or brands shall be provided on each bulk conveyance.

(6) Calibrated charts showing the capacity of each compartment in wine gallons for each inch of depth, shall be available for use in measuring the contents of each tank truck, tank ship, or barge.

(b) Proprietor's responsibility.

Before filling any bulk conveyance, the proprietor shall examine it to ascertain that it meets the requirements of this section and is otherwise suitable for receiving the spirits, denatured spirits, or wines, and he shall refrain from, or discontinue, using any such conveyance found by him or by an appropriate TTB officer to be unsuitable.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended, 1362, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206, 5212, 5214); sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 285 (26 U.S.C. 5213))

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