



### Information on Categories and Terms of Entry

The Swiss Cider Awards for 2025 is being run in collaboration with GLUG DeguFest, an event organised and run by RUUF AG (Register number: CH-280.3.015.907-2 / Buckhauserstrasse 35 CH-8048 Zürich / +41 44 401 17 17 / [info@ruuf.ch](mailto:info@ruuf.ch)). Commercial elements relating to the competition including processing of entries and invoicing will be handled by RUUF AG.

Upon completion of a competition entry form, the entrant will be sent, by email, an invoice for the according entry fee. Entry will be confirmed by email upon confirmation of the receipt of the full entry fee.

The official communication for the Swiss Cider Awards will be in English or German.

Entries cancelled within 7 calendar days of an entry confirmation will receive a full refund. After this time, cancellations will be refunded 50% of the entry fee.

Depending on the sample size, the following quantities will be required for the awards only:

- < 300ml – 8 samples
- >= 300ml - <600ml – 6 samples
- >=600ml – 4 samples

Additional samples will be required for the Marktplatz, this will be communicated separately.

Shipping and Customs clearance costs are not included in the entry fee, these are to be covered by the entrant.

All taxes, storage, shipping and customs costs are the responsibility of the entrant. The organisers of the Swiss Cider Awards will be able to assist and advise where possible to make the process as easy as possible however bear no responsibility for additional charges which arise from incorrect shipping practices or declarations.

Swiss Cider Awards is not responsible to breakages during transit. Provided samples will not be returned.

Early bird pricing is available to all entries received before 23:59 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024.

Closing date for entries will be 23:59 31<sup>st</sup> November 2024.

Samples must be received after November 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 and before 23:59 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024.

Early or Late receipts cannot be guaranteed to be accepted.

## Categories

The judges of the Swiss Cider Awards reserve the right to change the categorisation of entries as appropriate. The entrant will be informed.

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- **1 – Swiss**
- **1.1.1 - Sparkling: Cider**
  - Sparkling Cider produced in Switzerland from Swiss Apples with no additional flavour.
- **1.1.2 - Sparkling: Perry**
  - Sparkling Perry or Pear Cider produced in Switzerland from Swiss Pears with no additional flavour.
- **1.2.1 - Still: Cider**
  - Still Cider produced in Switzerland from Swiss Apples with no additional flavour.
- **1.2.2 - Still: Perry**
  - Still Perry or Pear Cider produced in Switzerland from Swiss Pears with no additional flavour.
- **1.3.1 - Flavoured: Herbed/Hopped**
  - Cider produced in Switzerland from Swiss fruit with the addition of flavour using herbs or hops.
- **1.3.2 - Flavoured: Fruit**
  - Cider produced in Switzerland from Swiss fruit with the addition of flavour using additional fruits (e.g. berries).
- **1.3.3 - Flavoured: Barrel Aged/Wood Infused**
  - Cider produced in Switzerland from Swiss fruit with the addition of flavour from a barrel maturation or infusion from wood (e.g. oak).
- **1.4.1 - Ice & Desert Cider**
  - Cider produced in Switzerland from Swiss fruit, generally either from pressed frozen fruit or frozen juice. Characterised by Sweeter taste and generally higher ABV.
  
- **2 – International**
- **2.1.1 - Sparkling: Cider**
  - Sparkling Cider produced outside Switzerland with no additional flavour.
- **2.1.2 - Sparkling: Perry**
  - Sparkling Perry or Pear Cider produced outside Switzerland with no additional flavour.
- **2.2.1 - Still: Cider**
  - Still Cider produced outside Switzerland with no additional flavour.
- **2.2.3 - Still: Perry**
  - Still Perry or Pear Cider produced outside Switzerland with no additional flavour.
- **2.3.1 - Flavoured: Herbed/Hopped**
  - Cider produced outside Switzerland with the addition of flavour using herbs or hops.
- **2.3.2 - Flavoured: Fruit**

- Cider produced outside Switzerland with the addition of flavour using additional fruits (e.g. berries).
- **2.3.3 - Flavoured: Barrel Aged/Wood Infused**
  - Cider produced outside Switzerland with the addition of flavour from a barrel maturation or infusion from wood (e.g. oak).
- **2.4.1 - Ice & Desert Cider**
  - Cider produced outside Switzerland, generally either from pressed frozen fruit or frozen juice. Characterised by Sweeter taste and generally higher ABV.
- **3 – Other**
  - Cider which doesn't fit in to one of the prescribed categories, or unsure of which one it might. A category for all comers.

## Reference Material



2025 Blank Score  
Sheet.pdf



Swiss Cider Awards  
2025 Judging Guide