

Amateur Winemakers of Canada

National Wine Competition 2023

General Information

Date:	September 17, 2023
Location:	Ayr Curling Club 210 Northumberland St. Ayr, Ontario NOB 1E0
Vice President in charge of Competition:	Bob Stalder
Chief Steward:	Bob Stalder
Cost:	\$10.00 per entry
AWC Website:	http://www.amateurwine.ca
AWO Website:	http://www.makewine.com

Entry Information

Entries must be in accordance with [AWC Class Descriptions](#). Entrants, Provincial Chief Stewards and Directors are urged to review the Class Descriptions, paying particular attention to the percentages of varietal ingredients, to ensure each entry has been placed in the correct class.

Information for Entrants

In addition to the very complete information in the [AWC Handbook](#), please note the following guidelines:

- A winemaker may enter only one wine per class.
- All entries must first have been judged at the provincial level.
- A winemaker must enter the same wine that qualified in the provincial competition. No substitutions are permitted.
- Full disclosure of ingredients and percentages is required.
- It is the responsibility of the winemaker to ensure that entries are in the proper class.
- Wines in all classes may be entered in 750 ml, 500 ml or 375 ml bottles. Provinces that are shipping entries may use 375 ml bottles for all classes to reduce shipping costs.
- Sparkling wines must be presented in thick-walled sparkling wine bottles designed to withstand high pressure. Closure may be crown cap or wired cork/stopper.
- Cider may be presented in cans or bottles with appropriate closures.
- The final determination of the eligibility of any entry is the responsibility of the Chief Steward.
- Winemakers are to submit payment to their Provincial Director.

Entry Instructions for Winemakers

Online Entry

- Each eligible winemaker is required to enter their wines online. The link to online entry is below:

[AWC National Competition 2023 Online Entry](#)

Note: This link is also posted on the [Amateur Winemakers of Ontario](#) website at the end of the Competition 2023 page.

- After submitting an entry, the winemaker will receive an email that contains a bottle tag as well as a pdf summary of their entry. After printing the email, cut out the bottle tag and attach to the entry using **masking or painter's tape only**.
- A separate registration is required for each wine.

Please note: if you do not receive a confirmation email. It does not mean that your entry was not received. Check all other mailboxes. If this does occur, use a blank AWC bottle tag and fill in your name, class no., class name and club name. These tags are available on the [Amateur Winemakers of Ontario](#) website at the end of the Competition 2023 page

- Check with your provincial rep to verify that your entry was received.

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Information for Provincial Directors Only

Entries per Province

Provinces are entitled to the following entry maximums:

Alberta - 37 entries

BC - 61 entries

Nova Scotia - 34 entries

Ontario - 68 entries

Entry Tracking

It is the responsibility of each province to track their entries. Receipts for each online entry will be sent to the respective Provincial Director. Periodic overall registration updates will be sent to assist in entry tracking.

Provincial Registration Form

Complete the [Provincial Registration Form](#) when you know the final number of entries from your province.

Payment

Cheque and e-transfer payments will be accepted. Payment details are on the Provincial Registration Form.

Note: Provincial Directors are asked to make one payment to cover all of their entries.

Delivery of Entries

Please arrange to have all entries arrive by the delivery deadline. Late deliveries will be accepted at the discretion of the Chief Steward.

Delivery Deadline: August 25, 2023

Payment Deadline: August 25, 2023

Shipping Address: Bob Stalder
70 Brembel Street
Kitchener, Ontario
N2B 3T8

Shipping

Send shipping information, including tracking numbers to the Chief Steward. Please include a hard copy of all entries with your shipment.

Use a method of packing that will ensure the safe arrival of your wines. Some recommendations from past experience:

- Bubble wrap each entry, making sure that the wrapping is secured on both ends of the bottle. Pack bottles snugly.
- Use juice pails to ship entries. They are easy to handle and secure. Tape lids shut.
- If using boxes, avoid large boxes which are heavy, awkward and more easily dropped.
- Use 375 ml bottles where possible to reduce shipping costs.

Please contact the Chief Steward if there are any questions or concerns.

Chief Steward

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