

II. Findings and Certifications

Unfunded Mandates Reform Act

Title II of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1531–1538) (UMRA) requires Federal agencies to assess the effects of their regulatory actions on State, local, and tribal governments and on the private sector. This final rule does not impose, within the meaning of the UMRA, any Federal mandates on any State, local, or, tribal governments or on the private sector.

Environmental Impact

This final rule concerns fair housing enforcement procedures. Accordingly, under 24 CFR 50.19(c)(3), this final rule is categorically excluded from environmental review under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321).

Impact on Small Entities

The Secretary has reviewed this final rule before publication and by approving it certifies, in accordance with the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 605(b)), that this final rule would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. This final rule adopts an interim rule, published in the **Federal Register** on April 14, 1999, that revised HUD's regulations concerning the processing of fair housing complaints.

Federalism Impact

The General Counsel, as the Designated Official under section 6(a) of Executive Order 12612 (entitled "Federalism"), has determined that the policies contained in this final rule do not have substantial direct effects on States or their political subdivisions, on the relationship between the Federal government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government.

List of Subjects in 24 CFR Part 103

Administrative practice and procedure, Aged, Fair housing, Individuals with disabilities, Intergovernmental relations, Investigations, Mortgages, Penalties, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

PART 103—FAIR HOUSING—COMPLAINT PROCESSING

Accordingly, the interim rule amending 24 CFR part 103, which was published at 64 FR 18538 on April 14, 1999, is adopted as a final rule without change.

Dated: August 13, 1999.

Eva M. Plaza,

Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

27 CFR Parts 24 and 252

[T.D. ATF–413]

RIN 1512–AC00

Technical Amendments

AGENCY: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Final rule, Treasury decision.

SUMMARY: This final rule makes technical amendments and conforming changes to the wine and exportation of liquors regulations to provide clarity and uniformity.

DATES: Effective August 27, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Kern, Regulations Division, (202) 927–8210, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) administers regulations published in Title 27, Code of Federal Regulations. These regulations are updated April 1 of each year to incorporate new or revised regulations that were published by ATF in the **Federal Register** during the preceding year. ATF identified several amendments that are needed to provide clarity and uniformity to the regulations in 27 CFR.

These amendments do not make any substantive changes and are only intended to improve the clarity of title 27.

Paperwork Reduction Act

The provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, do not apply to this final rule because there are no recordkeeping or reporting requirements.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

The provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) do

not apply to this rule because no notice of proposed rulemaking is required.

Executive Order 12866

This final rule is not subject to the requirements of Executive Order 12866 because the regulations make nonsubstantive technical corrections to previously published regulations.

Administrative Procedure Act

Because this final rule merely makes technical corrections to improve the clarity of the regulations, it is unnecessary to issue this final rule with notice and public procedure under 5 U.S.C. 553(b), or subject to the effective date limitation in section 553(d).

Drafting Information

The author of this document is Nancy M. Kern, Regulations Division, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

List of Subjects

27 CFR Part 24

Administrative practice and procedure, Authority delegation, Claims, Electronic funds transfers, Excise taxes, Exports, Food additives, Packaging and containers, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Research, Scientific equipment, Spices and flavorings, Surety bonds, Taxpaid wine bottling house, Transportation, Vinegar, Warehouses, Wine.

27 CFR Part 252

Aircraft, Alcohol and alcoholic beverages, Armed forces, Authority delegations, Beer, Claims, Excise taxes, Imports, Labeling, Liquors, Packaging and containers, Perfume, Reporting requirements, Transportation, Wine.

Authority and Issuance

Title 27, Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

PART 24—WINE

Paragraph 1. The authority citation for part 24 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 552(a); 26 U.S.C. 5001, 5008, 5041, 5042, 5044, 5061, 5062, 5081, 5111–5113, 5121, 5122, 5142, 5143, 5173, 5206, 5214, 5215, 5351, 5353, 5354, 5356, 5357, 5361, 5362, 5364–5373, 5381–5388, 5391, 5392, 5511, 5551, 5552, 5661, 5662, 5684, 6065, 6091, 6109, 6301, 6302, 6311, 6651, 6676, 7011, 7302, 7342, 7502, 7503, 7606, 7805, 7851; 31 U.S.C. 9301, 9303, 9304, 9306.

Par. 2. In § 24.177, revise the fourth sentence to read as follows:

§ 24.177 Chaptalization (Brix adjustment).

* * * If grape juice or grape wine is ameliorated after chaptalization, the quantity of pure dry sugar added to

juice for chaptalization will be included as ameliorating material. * * *

Par. 3. In § 24.180, revise the second sentence to read as follows:

§ 24.180 Use of concentrated and unconcentrated fruit juice.

* * * Concentrated fruit juice reduced with water to any degree of Brix greater than 22 degrees Brix may be further reduced with water to any degree of Brix between its original density and 22 degrees Brix. * * *

PART 252—EXPORTATION OF LIQUORS

Par. 4. The authority citation for part 252 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 552(a); 19 U.S.C. 81c, 1202; 26 U.S.C. 5001, 5007, 5008, 5041, 5051, 5054, 5061, 5111, 5112, 5114, 5121, 5122, 5124, 5201, 5205, 5207, 5232, 5273, 5301, 5313, 5555, 6302, 7805; 27 U.S.C. 203, 205; 44 U.S.C. 3504(h).

Par. 5. In § 252.62, revise the second sentence of paragraph (c) to read as follows:

§ 252.62 Bond, Form 2735 (5100.30).

(c) * * * The exporter may reapportion the bond coverage, if changing conditions make this necessary, by filing a consent of surety, ATF Form 1533 (5000.18), for approval by the Director of Industry Operations (DIO).

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Signed: June 25, 1999.

John W. Magaw,
Director.

Approved: June 12, 1999.

John P. Simpson
Deputy Assistant Secretary,
(Regulatory, Tariff and Trade Enforcement).
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

28 CFR Part 0

[AG Order No. 2250-99]

Personnel and Administrative Authorizations

AGENCY: Department of Justice.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This rule transfers the current delegations of authority for personnel and certain administrative matters affecting General Schedule grades GS-1 through GS-15 and wage board

positions in the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) contained in the Department of Justice regulations. The rule also revises the regulations to add delegations of authority for the Office of Justice Programs, the Executive Office for Immigration Review, and the Executive Office for United States Trustees. This revision consolidates the delegated authority for General Schedule grades GS-1 through GS-15 and wage board positions for all bureaus in one section. Finally, this rule publishes the definition of "career employee in the civil service" as it applies to the FBI-DEA Senior Executive Service (SES) and clarifies the authority delegated to the Deputy Attorney General will respect to personnel in the FBI-DEA SES.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 17, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is consolidating in 28 CFR 0.138 the delegated authority for General Schedule grades GS-1 through GS-15 and wage board positions for all Department components. These delegations were previously included in two separate sections: 28 CFR 0.137 (delegations to the FBI and DEA) and 28 CFR 0.138 (delegations to bureaus. Because section 0.138 currently does not include all the components within the Department, this rule adds the Office of Justice Programs, the Executive Office for Immigration Review, and the Executive Office for United States Trustees to the components listed in section 0.138, thereby consolidating in one section delegations for all Department components.

This rule also publishes the definition of the term "career employee in the civil service" as it applies to eligibility for selection to the FBI-DEA SES in section 0.157. As provided in 5 U.S.C. 3151 (b)(2)(B), the Attorney General and the Director of the Office of Personnel Management have consulted and agreed to the definition of "career employee in the civil service" added to section 0.157.

Section 0.157 has also been modified to clarify the authority delegated to the Deputy Attorney General. It has been revised further to remove current redelegations. Redelegations will be made in internal guidance. Making redelegations by such guidance will allow greater flexibility to the

Department to redelegate when it is in the interest of the Department to do so, e.g., where reorganizations occur within the DEA or the FBI.

Administrative Procedure Act 5 U.S.C. 553

This rule is a rule of agency organization and is therefore exempt from the notice requirement of 5 U.S.C. 553(b). This rule is made effective upon signature.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

In accordance with the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 605(b)), the Attorney General has reviewed this regulation and by approving it certifies that this regulation will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The rule pertains only to personnel and administrative matters affecting the Department.

Executive Order 12866

This action has been drafted and reviewed in accordance with Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, section 1(b), Principles of Regulation. This rule is limited to agency organization, management, and personnel as described by Executive Order 12866 section 3(d)(3) and therefore is not a "regulation" or "rule" as defined by that Executive Order. Accordingly, this action has not been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget.

Executive Order 12612

This regulation will not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 12612, it is determined that this rule does not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

Executive Order 12988—Civil Justice Reform

This regulation meets the applicable standards set forth in sections 3(a) and 3(b)(2) of Executive Order 12988.

Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995

This rule will not result in the expenditure by State, local, and tribal governments, in the aggregate, or by the private sector, of \$100 million or more in any one year, and it will not significantly or uniquely affect small governments. Therefore, no actions were