



Entry Rules & Reminders:

1. Wines must be received by Wine & Beer Supply between **October 28, 2024 and November 22, 2024**. Please plan accordingly. *Any entry that is received after 5pm on November 22nd, will be rejected.*
2. Online entries are required. **We recommend using Chrome as your browser.** You must pay by credit card, visit <https://enofileonline.com/landing.aspx?competitionID=3033>. **Entries are \$125 per entry.**
3. **New this year: A maximum of six entries is allowed per winery.**
4. The \$100 administrative fee is a once-per-year fee to accommodate the growing number of entries. This fee will be waived for all 2024 VWA Farm Winery Member wineries in good standing.
5. Wines and ciders submitted to the competition must be made with **100% Virginia fruit, juice, wine, concentrate and fortifiers; 100% of mead's base agricultural product, honey, needs to be from Virginia.** You will attest to this when you enter your wine, certifying your entries meet this criterion.
6. **Be prepared with fruit sources. This information will be collected** – please include grower name and location and contact information for each fruit sourced.
7. Make sure residual sugar is entered as a percentage.
8. Dessert wines (wines with 3% residual sugar or greater) are not eligible to win the Governor's Cup®.
9. All vintage wines submitted must be vintage year **2017** or younger. *Check your vintages when entering to be sure the vintage you ship matches the vintage you entered online!*
10. There is a 50-case minimum to enter the Governor's Cup®. This means that the winery must have 50 cases of the wine available for retail sales by the time of the Governor's Cup® reveal and are to remain commercially available until 50 cases are sold. These case minimums were set to ensure that the wines are commercially available.
11. **Send wines and ciders** with a copy of the online receipt sent as a confirmation from online entry. Mark boxes "For Analysis Only – Not for Resale". **Wines/Ciders should only be shipped in branded boxes for accurate identification. Please do not combine shipping with other wineries.**
12. **Shipments and hand deliveries will be accepted by Wine & Beer Supply Monday through Friday only (12015 N Lakeridge Parkway, Suite 100, Ashland, VA 23005).** Hand delivery by appointment only may be possible and must be **pre-arranged with Holly Corcoran at Wine & Beer Supply, holly@wineandbeersupply.com, (844) 482-9463.**
13. Any wine that is delivered to the competition without a full and proper label will be disqualified from the judging. Please do not send wines with laboratory, temporary, photocopied or altered labels. **If your wine should be rejected due to mislabeling and/or not meet the delivery deadline of November 22nd, your entry fees will not be refunded.**
14. For transparency, marketing, and promotional purposes, you must supply the Brand Name (winery produced for), Wine Name, and Producer (producing winery, no labeling DBA's please, when entering **Governor's Cup Case® Rules & Reminders:**

- Fruit wines & ciders may be entered in the Governor's Cup® competition; however, they are not eligible to be included in the Governor's Cup Case®. There will be a separate judging panel of judges for ciders.
- To increase diversity of the Governor's Cup Case® no more than 1 dessert and 1 sparkling wine will be included in the Case.
- All wineries that produce a wine that makes the Governor's Cup Case®, will agree to sell **8 cases** of that wine at **\$250 per case** to be used for marketing purposes.
- The winners of the Governor's Cup Case® agree to pour the award-winning wine during the Governor's Cup® Celebration (details to be released in the future).
- Case winners are required to have a representative, preferably the winemaker, in attendance at the VWA Annual Meeting & Conference to participate on tasting panels.
- VWA is permitted to use and collect the data provided on the entry form.