

# 2012 Saint Louis Microfest Homebrew Competition

## Rules and Entry Information

### A. ELIGIBILITY AND CATEGORIES

1. Anyone may enter beers (no meads or ciders will be accepted).
2. Entries must be referred to by BJCP Category NUMBER and Subcategory LETTER. Download the style guidelines from <http://www.bjcp.org> for category designations and descriptions. The BJCP categories will be grouped into seven overall categories (Microfest Summer Brew, Light Lager, Dark Lager, Light American Ale, Other Light Ale, Browns-Stouts-Porters, and Other Dark Ale) by the competition organizers.
3. Commercially brewed beers are ineligible.

### B. AWARDS AND PRIZES

Medals will be given to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners in the seven overall categories. A \$25 cash prize will be given to the 1<sup>st</sup> place finishers in each of the seven categories. Also, a prize will be awarded to the top ranked beginner (brewing less than two years). Winners will be announced at the Saturday afternoon session of the Saint Louis Microfest on May 5, 2012. Your score sheets will be posted on the online registration site immediately thereafter (please retain your brewer number). All winners will be notified by e-mail. Score sheets and judge's comments will be returned to all entrants electronically.

### C. HOW TO ENTER, WHAT TO ENTER

1. Registration will begin March 26, 2011. We prefer that you register online at <http://stlbrews.homebrewcomp.com>. The paper registration form will still be accepted, but using it is discouraged. NOTE TO NEW BREWERS: For those using the online registration, please indicate you are a "New Brewer" in the "Special Comments" section for EACH of your entries.
2. Entry Fees: \$7.00 for each entry. All checks should be made payable to the Saint Louis Brews. Any entries not accompanied by an entry fee will not be judged.
3. Entry requirements: Provide TWO BOTTLES for each entry. Bottles must be 10- to 12-ounce green or brown glass and clean and free of any labels (inked, paper, or otherwise). Bottles with permanent, painted-on labels are prohibited. Entrants are encouraged to use brown, long-neck returnable bottles for extra protection from light and breakage. NOTE: Grolsch-type swing tops are not acceptable. Soft drink or other printed crown caps are acceptable if they are blacked-out with a black marking pen to assure anonymity in judging.

Attach the bottle label created by the online registration system to each bottle with a rubber band. Do not use tape. For paper registrations, please attach a bottle label that indicates your name,

BJCP category, BJCP subcategory, and beer name. Those using the paper registration will also need to include the registration form. The use of tape or glue to attach forms is not acceptable.

4. Beers from a single batch may be entered in multiple Categories. Multiple entries in a Category are acceptable but **MUST** be from different batches.

5. A recipe does not need to be submitted with the entry. However, entries in 16E, 21A, 22B, 22C, and 23 require additional information to be judged properly. Please provide this information in the "Special Comments" section of the online registration or on the "Base Beer/Special Ingredients" line for the paper registration form.

#### **D. WHERE TO ENTER, WHEN TO ENTER**

1. Dropping-off entries: Entries will be accepted starting March 26, 2011. Entries **MUST** be received before the close of business on April 14, 2012 at the following locations. **These locations are ONLY for folks dropping off their entries in person.**

St. Louis Wine & Beermaking  
251 Lamp Lantern Village  
Chesterfield, MO 63017  
(636) 230-8277

Worm's Way Garden & Homebrew Supplies  
1225 North Warson Road  
St. Louis, MO 63132  
(314) 994-3900

2. Shipping entries: Entries will be accepted starting March 26, 2011. **PACK YOUR ENTRIES WELL.** Partition and pack each bottle with adequate packaging material. Boxes should weigh less than 40 pounds. Entries **MUST** be received by April 14, 2012 at the following location. **This location is ONLY for folks shipping their entries.**

STLMHC 2010  
The Schlafly Tap Room  
2100 Locust Street  
St. Louis, MO 63103  
Attn: Stephen Hale  
314.241.BEER

#### **E. JUDGING / STEWARDING**

1. Those interested in judging or stewarding, please register on-line at <http://stlbrews.homebrewcomp.com>.

2. Judging will occur on Saturday, April 21, 2012 beginning at 9:00am. Judges and stewards should arrive at 8:30am for sign-in to assure judging begins promptly at 9:00am. Depending on the number of entries, a preliminary judging session may also be held on Friday, April 20.

**For Further Information**

For further information, please contact the Competition Organizer Drew Lewis at [drew.lewis@gmail.com](mailto:drew.lewis@gmail.com) .

Now, enter those beers and enjoy the competition!