

Kosher Liquor List

Beer, Bourbon, Brandy & Cognac, Gin, Liqueurs, Rum, Rye, Scotch, Tequila, Vermouth, Vodka, Whiskey, Wine Bar Stock Items, Drink Mixes, Juices

PLEASE NOTE: Not all energy drinks and alcoholic beverages such as certain lemonades are certified kosher.

Note: Consumer should be careful to purchase all liquor from a store that either sold their hames or is owned by a non-Jew.

Beer

Unflavored Beers

All unflavored beers, domestic and imported, with no additives listed on the ingredient label are acceptable, even without a Kosher certification.

This applies to both USA and imported beers, including non-alcoholic and dark beers.

Many breweries are coming out with specialty brews that have additives; don't assume that all varieties are acceptable - check the label.

Flavored Beers

The following flavored beers are currently certified Kosher (under the Vaad of Greater Detroit - even without a hechsher on the product).

Saranac	all products
Brooklyn Brewery	all products
Pete's Brewing	all products
Matt Brewing	all products

The following beers from Samuel Adams, The Boston Beer Company, are Star-K kosher/pareve, even without the Star-K on the label.

Black Lager	Boston Ale	Boston Lager
Brown Ale	Cherry Wheat	Cranberry Lambic
Cream Stout	Double Bock	Hefeweizen
Holiday Porter	Light October fest	Old Fezziwig
Pale Ale	Spring Ale	Summer Ale
White Ale	Winter Lager	

Bourbon

Straight & Blended Bourbon (Sour Mash is a variety of Bourbon) is acceptable.

Some examples of Bourbons are:

Bookers	Maker's Mark
Basil Hayden	Old Crow
Bakers	Old Granddad
Knob Creek	Old Weller
Jack Daniel's	Wild Turkey
Jim Beam	

Brandy & Cognac

All brandy and cognac require certification since both are made from wine.

Some Kosher Brandies and Cognacs:

Boukha Fig (OU)	Louis Royer (OU)
Carmel (OU)	Spirit of Solomon (Hisachdus-CRC)
Dupuy-Vsop (OU)	Tishbi (OU)
Herzog (OU)	

Gin

Gin with no flavors added is acceptable.

(Note: **Sloe Gin** is a liqueur and requires certification.)

London Dry Gin(OU)

Gordon's Flavored Gin (all flavors) produced in the USA, is Kosher certified by the cRc.

Liqueurs

Liqueurs generally have lower alcohol content and are, by definition, flavored drinks. Sometimes a liqueur is referred to as an aperitif or cordial.

All liqueurs require certification.

Brands that bear certification on the label and may be used:

Check the labels of each bottle and each flavor for the indicated certification.

Some flavors from the sources listed below may be Dairy and will have a D next to the kosher symbol.

Amaretto Disaronno (OU)	Kedem (OU)
Bartenura (OU)	Leroux (OU)
Carmel (OU)	Kahlua Liqueur only with OU
Honkes (MK - Montreal)	Monfort (OU)
Frangelico (OU)	Peter Cherry Heering (OU)
Starbucks OU even without designation on the bottle. White Chocolate is Dairy	
Advoscotch (OU)	Sabra (OU)

Arak <i>Alouf extra fine</i> (OU)
Azmara (OU)
Briscoe (OU)
Desert Exotics (OU)
Drambuie (LBD)
Herman Jansen (LBD)
Infusion <i>Rum Mango, Tequilla Orange, Vodka Lemon, Vodka Orange</i> (OU)
Kava <i>coffee</i> Badatz Eida Hacharedi
Kijafa <i>Black Raspberry, Cherry, Chocolate Cherry</i> (OU)
Melody <i>Banana, Cherry, Chocolate, Peach, Triple Sec</i> (OU)
R. Jelinek <i>Slivovitz</i> (OU)
Rodriges (OU)
Spirit of Solomon <i>Ammaretto, Apricot, Cherry, Chocolate, Chocolate Mint, Chocolate Truffle, Citrus Coffee, Kirschwasser, Lemon, Orange, Peach, Pear, Strawberry, Wishniak</i> (cRc Hischadshus)
Vinprom <i>Apple Brandy, Apricot Brandy, Slivovitz</i> (Star-K)

Not Recommended Liqueurs:

Bailey's Irish Cream	Hiram Walker Liqueurs
B&B Liqueur	Kirschwasser
Benedictine	Llord's (without hashgacha)
Bols	Ouzo
Chambord	Sambuca
Chantreuse	SchlinkHaus Kabinett
Cointreau	Sheridans
Compari	Smirnoff Ice
Corolans	Southern Comfort
Cristal AguaDriente	Stock from Italy
Dubonett	Swiss Kirshwasser
Galiano	Tia Maria
Gold Schlager	Yukon Jack
Grand Marnier	

Rum

Rum generally requires certification.

Bacardi (unflavored varieties) is acceptable without a kosher symbol on the label.

Don Q Rum (including flavored) **only with OU**

Rye

No certification required.

Sake

Only recommended when bearing a reliable Kosher symbol.

Scotch

There are two types of Scotch commonly available, Blended and Single Malt. All types listed as being aged in sherry casks' 'sherry finish' 'port finish' or dual cask finish' are not recommended

Only those on the list below are approved for use.

Any other brand not appearing must be checked with the JSOR office.

Macallen Scotch and Balvanie 12 year doublewood Scotch is NOT recommended.

A. Scotch/Blended

Chivas Regal	Johnny Walker (all labels)
Chivas Royal Salute	Rob Roy (All)
Cutty Sark	The Dimple Pinch
Dewar	White Horse Extra Fine
William Grants	
J&B	White Horse Fine Old

B. Scotch/Single Malts

Auchentoshan	Glenmorangie (10 & 18 year)
Ballantine's	Highland Park
Balvenie (10 & 15 year)	Inchmurrin
Benriach	Isle of Jura
Bowmore (only up to the 17th year)	Knockando
Cardhu	Lagavulin
Cragganmore	Laphroaig
Dalmore	Longmorn
Dailuaine Single Malt	Loch Dhu
Dalwhinnie (all varieties)	Oban
Glenkeith	Royal Coachman

Glen Garioch	Royal Lochnagar (all varieties)	Some acceptable Tequila brands:	
Glen Kinchie	Scapa	Don Bernardo G (OU)	Salusa
Glen Moray	Speyburn	Casavores	Sol Dios Anejo (OU)
Glen Ord	Strathisla	Herradura	Sol Dios Platinum / Blanco (OU)
Glen Rothes	Talisker		
Glenfiddich	Tamdhu		
Glenfiddich - Solero Reserve (15 years)	The Edradour		
Glengoyne	Tomintoul		
Glenlivet (12, 15, 18 & 21 year)	Tullibardine		
Glenlivet Nadurra (16 year)			

Vermouth

Vermouth requires certification since it is made from wine.

Kedem is the only brand readily available with a kosher symbol.

Vodka

All Domestic (USA only) non-flavored vodka is acceptable.

Important: This applies only to grain or potato vodka. Some vodkas are made with grapes, and would need a reliable hashgacha.

Imported vodka requires certification.

The following **unflavored** imported vodkas are acceptable imports even without certification on the label:

Absolut	Kettle One
Belvedere	Provda (now has OU)
Chopin	Stolichnaya - (see below for flavored)
Finlandia	Vox
Iceberg (now has OU)	
Grey Goose Yevreyskaya	Three Olives (from England)

Absolut Flavored Vodka

Is now acceptable **only with OU**

Putinka Vodka

both Pepper flavor and Limited Edition are kosher even without certification on the label.

Soju (Korean liquor)

Only recommended when bearing a reliable kosher symbol.

Tequila

Tequila is made from the agave cactus in Mexico. According to Mexican law any tequila may be labeled 100% agave even though it contains no more than 51% actual agave alcohol!

However, based on research, the cRc has identified one type of tequila which is recommended even without a hechsher (Regular-White).

There are three types of tequila on the market:

- 1) **Regular-White** (also known as **Silver**) tequila **is recommended**. This clear tequila contains either 100% agave or a mixture of agave and sugar cane.
- 2) **Gold-Brown** tequila **is not recommended**. This darker tequila is aged for 3 months and may have color and flavoring added.
- 3) **Reposado** (“rested”) (also known as **Special**) tequila **is not recommended**. It is aged for 6 months and in addition to concerns of color and flavoring, glycerin may be added for density.

Gordon Vodkas

The following varieties are **cRc certified** even without certification on the label:

Citrus Flavored	Wild Berry
Orange	

Stolichnaya Vodkas:

The following varieties are **acceptable**, with OU on the label:

Cinnamon Flavored	Orange Flavored
Coffee Flavored	Peach Flavored
Gold Premium Imported Russian	Raspberry Flavored
Imported Russian	Strawberry Flavored
Lemon Flavored	Vanilla Flavored

Whiskey (including Canadian, Irish, Ryes)

Blended Whiskeys are acceptable only with certification, unless appearing on the list below:

Bushmills Irish – (all except Green label)
Canadian – Canadian Club (regular only - not Classic, Premium or Special Reserve)
Canadian Mist
Crown Royal (all)
Gibsons (MK on label)
Irish – Jameson (all varieties)
Seagram's (VO and 7 Canadian Blend only, not American Blend)
Wiser's

Wines

All wines served at a JSOR event, regardless of the location, host or caterer must bear acceptable certification and must be *mevushal*.

Check bottles for an acceptable certification and a statement that the wine is *mevushal*. Many Israeli and French wines are not *mevushal*, so care must be exercised.

Carmel Wines from Israel must bear the OU on the label; some wines produced during the *shmita* year will not have the OU on the label.

Alfasi wine, from Chile, is under the OK certification but not all are *mevushal*. Each label should be checked.

Bar Stock Items

Any bar equipment (strainers, shot measures, blenders, stir rods, shakers, etc.) used with non-kosher products should be properly kashered prior to use for a kosher affair.

Olives - green olives require certification

Pearl Onions - are pickled and require certification

Lemon and Lime - fresh lemon and limes used for slices, wedges and twists must be prepared using a kosher knife and on a kosher cutting board.

All **Tabasco brand hot pepper sauce** is acceptable as long as it bears a "K".

Other Pepper Sauces - Durkee or French's with OU on label.

Maraschino Cherries - only with acceptable certification

Drink Mixes

Tomato Juice - Heinz (OU), Red Gold (OU), Hunts (OK), Sysco "Citrus Valley" (OU), Sacramento (OU)

Drink Mixes requires certification.

Some brands available that are acceptable:

Coco Lopez (only when bearing OU)

Goya brand Cream of Coconut - when labeled "Product of Dominican Republic"

Goya brand Coconut Milk – (when labeled “Product of Dominican Republic”)

Holland House (only when bearing OU)

Jamaica John (only when bearing OU)

Jero (only when bearing OK)

Mr & Mrs T’s (only when bearing OU)

Rose’s – grenadine and lime (only when bearing OU)

Juices

Require certification.

Ready-to-drink juices are made in factories that produce a wide range of products, mostly with hot production. There are issues of dairy and non-kosher utensils.

Some acceptable brands that are locally available are listed below, along with the certification that must appear on the container:

Apple Juice - Dole (K), Kedem (OU), Langers (OU) Indian Summer (K), IFP (cRc)

Cranberry Juice - Kedem (OU), IFP (cRc), Langers (OU) Jewel (OU),

Grapefruit Juice - Tropicana (OK), Jewel (cRc)

Lemonade - Jewel (cRc)

Orange Juice - Tropicana (OK), Jewel (cRc), Dole (K), Dominick's-half gallon (cRc), Minute Maid These all only apply to Orange juice and not necessarily to other varieties.

Pineapple Citrus - Dole (K)