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**CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
OF A
PRIVATE LIMITED COMPANY**

Company No. 8161498

The Registrar of Companies for England and Wales, hereby certifies that

BI WINES AND SPIRITS LIMITED

is this day incorporated under the Companies Act 2006 as a private company, that the company is limited by shares, and the situation of its registered office is in England/Wales

Given at Companies House on **30th July 2012**



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Companies House
— for the record —



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REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES

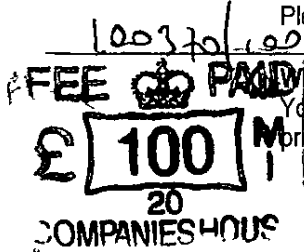
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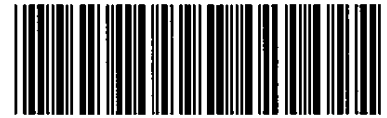
What this form is for

You may use this form to register a
private or public company

X What this form is NOT for

You cannot use this form to register
a limited liability partnership. To do
this, please use form LL IN01

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Part 1 Company details

→ **Filling in this form**

Please complete in typescript or in
bold black capitals

All fields are mandatory unless
specified or indicated by *

A1 Company details

Please show the proposed company name below

Proposed company
name in full ①

BI Wines and Spirits Limited

For official use

8161498

① **Duplicate names**

Duplicate names are not permitted. A
list of registered names can be found
on our website. There are various rules
that may affect your choice of name.
More information is available at
www.companieshouse.gov.uk

A2 Company name restrictions ②

Please tick the box only if the proposed company name contains sensitive
or restricted words or expressions that require you to seek comments of a
government department or other specified body

☐ I confirm that the proposed company name contains sensitive or restricted
words or expressions and that approval, where appropriate, has been
sought of a government department or other specified body and I attach a
copy of their response

② **Company name restrictions**

A list of sensitive or restricted words
or expressions that require consent
can be found in guidance available
on our website
www.companieshouse.gov.uk

A3 Exemption from name ending with 'Limited' or 'Cyfyngedig' ③

Please tick the box if you wish to apply for exemption from the requirement to
have the name ending with 'Limited', 'Cyfyngedig' or permitted alternative

☐ I confirm that the above proposed company meets the conditions for
exemption from the requirement to have a name ending with 'Limited',
'Cyfyngedig' or permitted alternative

③ **Name ending exemption**

Only private companies that are
limited by guarantee and meet other
specific requirements are eligible to
apply for this.
For more details, please go to our
website
www.companieshouse.gov.uk

A4 Company type ④

Please tick the box that describes the proposed company type and members'
liability (only one box must be ticked)

- ☐ Public limited by shares
☒ Private limited by shares
☐ Private limited by guarantee
☐ Private unlimited with share capital
☐ Private unlimited without share capital

④ **Company type**

If you are unsure of your company's
type, please go to our website
www.companieshouse.gov.uk

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Situation of registered office ①

Please tick the appropriate box below that describes the situation of the proposed registered office (only one box must be ticked)

- ☒ England and Wales
☐ Wales
☐ Scotland
☐ Northern Ireland

① Registered office

Every company must have a registered office and this is the address to which the Registrar will send correspondence.

For England and Wales companies, the address must be in England or Wales

For Welsh, Scottish or Northern Ireland companies, the address must be in Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland respectively

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Registered office address ②

Please give the registered office address of your company

Building name/number 10

Street Hatton Garden

Post town London

County/Region

Postcode E C 1 N 8 A H

② Registered office address

You must ensure that the address shown in this section is consistent with the situation indicated in section A5

You must provide an address in England or Wales for companies to be registered in England and Wales

You must provide an address in Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland for companies to be registered in Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland respectively

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Articles of association ③

Please choose one option only and tick one box only

Option 1

I wish to adopt one of the following model articles in its entirety. Please tick only **one** box

- ☐ Private limited by shares
☐ Private limited by guarantee
☐ Public company

Option 2

I wish to adopt the following model articles with additional and/or amended provisions. I attach a copy of the additional and/or amended provision(s). Please tick only **one** box

- ☐ Private limited by shares
☐ Private limited by guarantee
☐ Public company

Option 3

☒ I wish to adopt entirely bespoke articles. I attach a copy of the bespoke articles to this application

③ For details of which company type can adopt which model articles, please go to our website www.companieshouse.gov.uk

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Restricted company articles ④

Please tick the box below if the company's articles are restricted

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④ Restricted company articles

Restricted company articles are those containing provision for entrenchment. For more details, please go to our website www.companieshouse.gov.uk

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Part 2**Proposed officers**

For private companies the appointment of a secretary is optional, however, if you do decide to appoint a company secretary you must provide the relevant details. Public companies are required to appoint at least one secretary.

Private companies must appoint at least one director who is an individual. Public companies must appoint at least two directors, one of which must be an individual.

For a secretary who is an individual, go to Section B1, For a corporate secretary, go to Section C1, For a director who is an individual, go to Section D1; For a corporate director, go to Section E1.

Secretary**B1****Secretary appointments ①**

Please use this section to list all the secretary appointments taken on formation.
For a corporate secretary, complete Sections C1-C5.

Title *	
Full forename(s)	
Surname	
Former name(s) ②	

① Corporate appointments

For corporate secretary appointments, please complete section C1-C5 instead of section B.

Additional appointments

If you wish to appoint more than one secretary, please use the 'Secretary appointments' continuation page.

② Former name(s)

Please provide any previous names which have been used for business purposes in the last 20 years. Married women do not need to give former names unless previously used for business purposes.

B2**Secretary's service address ③**

Building name/number	
Street	
Post town	
County/Region	
Postcode	
Country	

③ Service address

This is the address that will appear on the public record. This does not have to be your usual residential address.

Please state 'The Company's Registered Office' if your service address will be recorded in the proposed company's register of secretaries as the company's registered office.

If you provide your residential address here it will appear on the public record.

B3**Signature ④**

I consent to act as secretary of the proposed company named in **Section A1**.

Signature	Signature  
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④ Signature

The person named above consents to act as secretary of the proposed company.

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Corporate secretary**C1****Corporate secretary appointments ①**

Please use this section to list all the corporate secretary appointments taken on formation

Name of corporate body/firm

Building name/number

Street

Post town

County/Region

Postcode

Country

① Additional appointments

If you wish to appoint more than one corporate secretary, please use the 'Corporate secretary appointments' continuation page

Registered or principal address

This is the address that will appear on the public record. This address must be a physical location for the delivery of documents. It cannot be a PO box number (unless contained within a full address), DX number or LP (Legal Post in Scotland) number

C2**Location of the registry of the corporate body or firm**

Is the corporate secretary registered within the European Economic Area (EEA)?

→ **Yes** Complete **Section C3** only→ **No** Complete **Section C4** only**C3****EEA companies ②**

Please give details of the register where the company file is kept (including the relevant state) and the registration number in that register

Where the company/firm is registered ③

Registration number

② EEAA full list of countries of the EEA can be found in our guidance www.companieshouse.gov.uk**③** This is the register mentioned in Article 3 of the First Company Law Directive (68/151/EEC)**C4****Non-EEA companies**

Please give details of the legal form of the corporate body or firm and the law by which it is governed. If applicable, please also give details of the register in which it is entered (including the state) and its registration number in that register

Legal form of the corporate body or firm

Governing law

If applicable, where the company/firm is registered ④

Registration number

④ Non-EEA

Where you have provided details of the register (including state) where the company or firm is registered, you must also provide its number in that register

C5**Signature ⑤**I consent to act as secretary of the proposed company named in **Section A1**.

Signature

Signature

X

X

⑤ Signature

The person named above consents to act as corporate secretary of the proposed company

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Director**D1****Director appointments ①**

Please use this section to list all the director appointments taken on formation
For a corporate director, complete Sections E1-E5

Title *	Mr																
Full forename(s)	Colin Thomas																
Surname	West																
Former name(s) ②																	
Country/State of residence ③	England																
Nationality	British																
Date of birth	<table border="1"><tr><td>d</td><td>0</td><td>d</td><td>4</td><td>m</td><td>0</td><td>m</td><td>9</td><td>y</td><td>1</td><td>y</td><td>9</td><td>y</td><td>5</td><td>y</td><td>8</td></tr></table>	d	0	d	4	m	0	m	9	y	1	y	9	y	5	y	8
d	0	d	4	m	0	m	9	y	1	y	9	y	5	y	8		
Business occupation (if any) ④	Wine Merchant																

① Appointments

Private companies must appoint at least one director who is an individual. Public companies must appoint at least two directors, one of which must be an individual.

② Former name(s)

Please provide any previous names which have been used for business purposes in the last 20 years. Married women do not need to give former names unless previously used for business purposes.

③ Country/State of residence

This is in respect of your usual residential address as stated in section D4.

④ Business occupation

If you have a business occupation, please enter here. If you do not, please leave blank.

Additional appointments

If you wish to appoint more than one director, please use the 'Director appointments' continuation page.

D2**Director's service address ⑤**

Please complete the service address below. You must also fill in the director's usual residential address in **Section D4**.

Building name/number	10								
Street	Hatton Garden								
Post town	London								
County/Region									
Postcode	<table border="1"><tr><td>E</td><td>C</td><td>1</td><td>N</td><td></td><td>8</td><td>A</td><td>H</td></tr></table>	E	C	1	N		8	A	H
E	C	1	N		8	A	H		
Country	England								

⑤ Service address

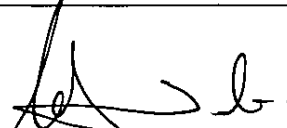
This is the address that will appear on the public record. This does not have to be your usual residential address.

Please state 'The Company's Registered Office' if your service address will be recorded in the proposed company's register of directors as the company's registered office.

If you provide your residential address here it will appear on the public record.

D3**Signature ⑥**

I consent to act as director of the proposed company named in **Section A1**.

Signature	<div>Signature</div> <div>X  X</div>
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⑥ Signature

The person named above consents to act as director of the proposed company.

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Director**D1****Director appointments ①**

Please use this section to list all the director appointments taken on formation
For a corporate director, complete Sections E1-E5.

Title *										
Full forename(s)										
Surname										
Former name(s) ②										
Country/State of residence ③										
Nationality										
Date of birth	d	d	m	m	y	y	y	y		
Business occupation (if any) ④										

① Appointments

Private companies must appoint at least one director who is an individual. Public companies must appoint at least two directors, one of which must be an individual.

② Former name(s)

Please provide any previous names which have been used for business purposes in the last 20 years. Married women do not need to give former names unless previously used for business purposes.

③ Country/State of residence

This is in respect of your usual residential address as stated in Section D4.

④ Business occupation

If you have a business occupation, please enter here. If you do not, please leave blank.

Additional appointments

If you wish to appoint more than one director, please use the 'Director appointments' continuation page.

D2**Director's service address ⑤**

Please complete the service address below. You must also fill in the director's usual residential address in **Section D4**.

Building name/number										
Street										
Post town										
County/Region										
Postcode										
Country										

⑤ Service address

This is the address that will appear on the public record. This does not have to be your usual residential address.

Please state 'The Company's Registered Office' if your service address will be recorded in the proposed company's register of directors as the company's registered office.

If you provide your residential address here it will appear on the public record.

D3**Signature ⑥**

I consent to act as director of the proposed company named in **Section A1**.

Signature	Signature  									
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⑥ Signature

The person named above consents to act as director of the proposed company.

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Corporate director

E1	Corporate director appointments ①	
Please use this section to list all the corporate directors taken on formation		
Name of corporate body or firm		① Additional appointments If you wish to appoint more than one corporate director, please use the 'Corporate director appointments' continuation page Registered or principal address This is the address that will appear on the public record. This address must be a physical location for the delivery of documents. It cannot be a PO box number (unless contained within a full address), DX number or LP (Legal Post in Scotland) number
Building name/number		
Street		
Post town		
County/Region		
Postcode		
Country		
E2	Location of the registry of the corporate body or firm	
Is the corporate director registered within the European Economic Area (EEA)? → Yes Complete Section E3 only → No Complete Section E4 only		
E3	EEA companies ②	
Please give details of the register where the company file is kept (including the relevant state) and the registration number in that register		② EEA A full list of countries of the EEA can be found in our guidance www.companieshouse.gov.uk ③ This is the register mentioned in Article 3 of the First Company Law Directive (68/151/EEC)
Where the company/firm is registered ③		
Registration number		
E4	Non-EEA companies	
Please give details of the legal form of the corporate body or firm and the law by which it is governed. If applicable, please also give details of the register in which it is entered (including the state) and its registration number in that register		④ Non-EEA Where you have provided details of the register (including state) where the company or firm is registered, you must also provide its number in that register
Legal form of the corporate body or firm		
Governing law		
If applicable, where the company/firm is registered ④		
If applicable, the registration number		
E5	Signature ⑤	
I consent to act as director of the proposed company named in Section A1		⑤ Signature The person named above consents to act as corporate director of the proposed company
Signature	Signature X	

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Part 3**Statement of capital**

Does your company have share capital?

→ **Yes** Complete the sections below→ **No** Go to **Part 4 (Statement of guarantee)****F1****Share capital in pound sterling (£)**

Please complete the table below to show each class of shares held in pound sterling
 If all your issued capital is in sterling, only complete **Section F1** and then go to **Section F4**.

Class of shares (E g Ordinary/Preference etc)	Amount paid up on each share ①	Amount (if any) unpaid on each share ①	Number of shares ②	Aggregate nominal value ③
Ordinary	£1 00		1	£ 1.00
				£
				£
				£
Totals			1	£ 1.00

F2**Share capital in other currencies**

Please complete the table below to show any class of shares held in other currencies
 Please complete a separate table for each currency

Currency

Class of shares (E g Ordinary/Preference etc)	Amount paid up on each share ①	Amount (if any) unpaid on each share ①	Number of shares ②	Aggregate nominal value ③
Totals				

Currency

Class of shares (E g Ordinary/Preference etc)	Amount paid up on each share ①	Amount (if any) unpaid on each share ①	Number of shares ②	Aggregate nominal value ③
Totals				

F3**Totals**

Please give the total number of shares and total aggregate nominal value of
 issued share capital

Total number of shares	1
Total aggregate nominal value ④	

④ **Total aggregate nominal value**
 Please list total aggregate values in
 different currencies separately For
 example £100 + €100 + \$10 etc

① Including both the nominal value and any
 share premium

③ Number of shares issued multiplied by
 nominal value of each share

② Total number of issued shares in this class

Continuation Pages

Please use a Statement of Capital continuation
 page if necessary

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Statement of capital (Prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares)

Please give the prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares for each class of share shown in the statement of capital share tables in **Sections F1 and F2**.

Class of share

Ordinary

Prescribed particulars

1

The particulars of the ordinary shares of £1.00 each in the share capital of the Company are as follows:

- (a) every shareholder has one vote on a show of hands and one vote for every share held on a poll;
- (b) the shares rank equally as regards dividends and have no preferential right to receive a dividend;
- (c) the shares rank equally as regards capital and have no preferential right to participate in a distribution;
- (d) the shares are not redeemable or liable to be redeemed at the option of the Company or the shareholder

1 Prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares

The particulars are

- a particulars of any voting rights, including rights that arise only in certain circumstances,
- b particulars of any rights, as respects dividends, to participate in a distribution,
- c particulars of any rights, as respects capital, to participate in a distribution (including on winding up), and
- d whether the shares are to be redeemed or are liable to be redeemed at the option of the company or the shareholder and any terms or conditions relating to redemption of these shares

A separate table must be used for each class of share

Continuation pages

Please use the next page or a 'Statement of Capital (Prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares)' continuation page if necessary

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Class of share	
Prescribed particulars 1	

1 Prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares

The particulars are

- a particulars of any voting rights, including rights that arise only in certain circumstances,
- b particulars of any rights, as respects dividends, to participate in a distribution,
- c particulars of any rights, as respects capital, to participate in a distribution (including on winding up), and
- d whether the shares are to be redeemed or are liable to be redeemed at the option of the company or the shareholder and any terms or conditions relating to redemption of these shares

A separate table must be used for each class of share

Continuation pages

Please use a 'Statement of capital (Prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares)' continuation page if necessary

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Initial shareholdings

This section should only be completed by companies incorporating with share capital

Please complete the details below for each subscriber

The addresses will appear on the public record. These do not need to be the subscribers' usual residential address

Initial shareholdings

Please list the company's subscribers in alphabetical order

Please use an 'Initial shareholdings' continuation page if necessary

Subscriber's details	Class of share	Number of shares	Currency	Nominal value of each share	Amount (if any) unpaid	Amount paid
Name Bordeaux Index Limited	Ordinary	1	£GBP	1.00		1.00
Address 10 Hatton Garden London England EC1N 8AH						
Name						
Address						
Name						
Address						
Name						
Address						
Name						
Address						
Name						
Address						

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Part 4**Statement of guarantee**

Is your company limited by guarantee?

- **Yes** Complete the sections below
 → **No** Go to **Part 5** (Statement of compliance)

G1**Subscribers**

Please complete this section if you are a subscriber of a company limited by guarantee. The following statement is being made by each and every person named below

I confirm that if the company is wound up while I am a member, or within one year after I cease to be a member, I will contribute to the assets of the company by such amount as may be required for

- payment of debts and liabilities of the company contracted before I cease to be a member,
- payment of costs, charges and expenses of winding up, and,
- adjustment of the rights of the contributors among ourselves, not exceeding the specified amount below

1 Name

Please use capital letters

2 Address

The addresses in this section will appear on the public record. They do not have to be the subscribers' usual residential address

3 Amount guaranteed

Any valid currency is permitted

Continuation pages

Please use a 'Subscribers' continuation page if necessary

Subscriber's detailsForename(s) **1**Surname **1**Address **2**

Postcode

Amount guaranteed **3****Subscriber's details**Forename(s) **1**Surname **1**Address **2**

Postcode

Amount guaranteed **3****Subscriber's details**Forename(s) **1**Surname **1**Address **2**

Postcode

Amount guaranteed **3**

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Subscriber's details

Forename(s) ①

Surname ①

Address ②

Postcode

Amount guaranteed ③

Subscriber's details

Forename(s) ①

Surname ①

Address ②

Postcode

Amount guaranteed ③

Subscriber's details

Forename(s) ①

Surname ①

Address ②

Postcode

Amount guaranteed ③

Subscriber's details

Forename(s) ①

Surname ①

Address ②

Postcode

Amount guaranteed ③

Subscriber's details

Forename(s) ①

Surname ①

Address ②

Postcode

Amount guaranteed ③

① Name

Please use capital letters

② Address

The addresses in this section will appear on the public record. They do not have to be the subscribers' usual residential address.

③ Amount guaranteed

Any valid currency is permitted

Continuation pages

Please use a 'Subscribers' continuation page if necessary

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Part 5

Statement of compliance

This section must be completed by all companies

Is the application by an agent on behalf of all the subscribers?

- **No** Go to **Section H1** (Statement of compliance delivered by the subscribers)
- **Yes** Go to **Section H2** (Statement of compliance delivered by an agent)


H1

Statement of compliance delivered by the subscribers ①

Please complete this section if the application is not delivered by an agent for the subscribers of the memorandum of association

I confirm that the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 as to registration have been complied with

① Statement of compliance delivered by the subscribers
Every subscriber to the memorandum of association must sign the statement of compliance

Subscriber's signature	Signature X  X FOR AND ON BEHALF OF BORDEAUX INDEX LIMITED
Subscriber's signature	Signature X X
Subscriber's signature	Signature X X
Subscriber's signature	Signature X X
Subscriber's signature	Signature X X
Subscriber's signature	Signature X X
Subscriber's signature	Signature X X
Subscriber's signature	Signature X X

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Subscriber's signature	Signature X	X
Subscriber's signature	Signature X	X
Subscriber's signature	Signature X	X
Subscriber's signature	Signature X	X

Continuation pages

Please use a 'Statement of compliance delivered by the subscribers' continuation page if more subscribers need to sign

H2

Statement of compliance delivered by an agent

Please complete this section if this application is delivered by an agent for the subscribers to the memorandum of association

Agent's name		
Building name/number		
Street		
Post town		
County/Region		
Postcode		
Country		
	I confirm that the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 as to registration have been complied with	
Agent's signature	Signature X	X

IN01**Application to register a company****Presenter information**

You do not have to give any contact information, but if you do it will help Companies House if there is a query on the form. The contact information you give will be visible to searchers of the public record.

Contact name Ian Mack

Company name Shepherd and Wedderburn LLP

Address Condor House

10 St Paul's Churchyard

Post town London

County/Region

Postcode E C 4 M 8 A L

Country UK

DX DX 98945 Cheapside 2

Telephone +44 (0)20 7429 4924

**Certificate**

We will send your certificate to the presenters address (shown above) or if indicated to another address shown below

- ☐ At the registered office address (Given in Section A6)
☐ At the agents address (Given in Section H2)

**Checklist**

We may return forms completed incorrectly or with information missing

Please make sure you have remembered the following

- ☐ You have checked that the proposed company name is available as well as the various rules that may affect your choice of name. More information can be found in guidance on our website
- ☐ If the name of the company is the same as one already on the register as permitted by The Company and Business Names (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2008, please attach consent
- ☐ You have used the correct appointment sections
- ☐ Any addresses given must be a physical location. They cannot be a PO Box number (unless part of a full service address), DX or LP (Legal Post in Scotland) number
- ☐ The document has been signed, where indicated
- ☐ All relevant attachments have been included
- ☐ You have enclosed the Memorandum of Association
- ☐ You have enclosed the correct fee

**Important information**

Please note that all information on this form will appear on the public record, apart from information relating to usual residential addresses

**How to pay**

A fee is payable on this form.

Make cheques or postal orders payable to 'Companies House'. For information on fees, go to www.companieshouse.gov.uk

**Where to send**

You may return this form to any Companies House address, however for expediency we advise you to return it to the appropriate address below:

For companies registered in England and Wales

The Registrar of Companies, Companies House,
Crown Way, Cardiff, Wales, CF14 3UZ
DX 33050 Cardiff

For companies registered in Scotland

The Registrar of Companies, Companies House,
Fourth floor, Edinburgh Quay 2,
139 Fountainbridge, Edinburgh, Scotland, EH3 9FF
DX ED235 Edinburgh 1
or LP - 4 Edinburgh 2 (Legal Post)

For companies registered in Northern Ireland

The Registrar of Companies, Companies House,
Second Floor, The Linenhall, 32-38 Linenhall Street,
Belfast, Northern Ireland, BT2 8BG
DX 481 N R Belfast 1

Section 243 exemption

If you are applying for, or have been granted a section 243 exemption, please post this whole form to the different postal address below
The Registrar of Companies, PO Box 4082,
Cardiff, CF14 3WE

**Further information**

For further information, please see the guidance notes on the website at www.companieshouse.gov.uk or email enquiries@companieshouse.gov.uk

This form is available in an alternative format. Please visit the forms page on the website at www.companieshouse.gov.uk

COMPANY HAVING A SHARE CAPITAL

Memorandum of Association
of
BI Wines and Spirits Limited

Each subscriber to this memorandum of association wishes to form a company under the Companies Act 2006 and agrees to become a member of the company and to take at least one share

Name of each subscriber

Authentication by each subscriber

Bordeaux Index Limited

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. B.', written over a horizontal line.

For and on behalf of Bordeaux Index Limited

Dated 30 July 2012



SHEPHERD+ WEDDERBURN

Companies Act 2006
Private company limited by shares

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

BI WINES AND SPIRITS LIMITED

Incorporated in England and Wales

Shepherd and Wedderburn LLP
Condor House
10 St Paul's Churchyard
London EC4M 8AL
DX 98945 Cheapside 2
T +44 (0)20 7429 4900
F +44 (0)20 7329 5939
www.shepwedd.co.uk

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Companies Act 2006
Private company limited by shares
ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION
BI WINES AND SPIRITS LIMITED

INTERPRETATION

1. Defined terms

- 1 1 In the Articles, the following words and expressions have the following meanings, unless inconsistent with the context
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| "alternate" or "alternate director" | an alternate director appointed in accordance with Article 11 |
| "appointor" | has the meaning given in Article 10 |
| "Articles" | the Company's Articles of Association |
| "Model Articles" | the model articles for private companies limited by shares contained in Schedule 1 of the Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008 (SI 2008/3229) as amended prior to the date of adoption of these Articles |
| "section" | the relevant section of the Companies Act 2006 unless the context provides otherwise |
- 1 2 Unless the context otherwise requires, other words or expressions contained in these Articles
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| 1 2 1 | bear the same meaning as in the Companies Act 2006 as in force on the date when these Articles become binding on the Company, and |
| 1 2 2 | words and expressions which have particular meanings in the Model Articles shall have the same meanings in these Articles |
- 1 3 Unless expressly provided otherwise, a reference to a statute, statutory provision or subordinate legislation is a reference to it as it is in force from time to time, taking account of
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| 1 3 1 | any subordinate legislation from time to time made under it, and |
| 1 3 2 | any amendment or re-enactment and includes any statute, statutory provision or subordinate legislation which it amends or re-enacts |
- 1 4 A reference in these Articles to an "Article" is a reference to the relevant Article of these Articles unless expressly provided otherwise

2. Amendments to the Model Articles

- 2 1 The regulations in the Model Articles shall apply to the Company except where excluded or modified by these Articles
- 2 2 Articles 7, 8, 9(4), 11, 13 and 29 of the Model Articles shall not apply to the Company
- 2 3 The Model Articles shall, in their application to the Company, be amended as follows
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| 2 3 1 | in Model Article 4, by the insertion of "(3) No alteration of the Articles invalidates anything which the directors have done before such alteration ", |
| 2 3 2 | in Model Article 17, by the insertion of "(4) For so long as the Company is a subsidiary company, its holding company may by written notice appoint any person to be a director " |
| 2 3 3 | in Model Article 18, by the insertion of "(g) that person has for more than 6 consecutive months been absent without permission of the directors from directors' |

meetings held during that period and the directors resolve that that person should cease to be a director, and (h) for so long as the Company is a subsidiary company, its holding company may by written notice remove any director from office howsoever appointed "

- 2 3 4 in Model Article 20, by the insertion of the words "(including alternate directors)" after the words "reasonable expenses which the directors",
- 2 3 5 in Model Article 42, by the insertion of the words "The voting entitlements of shareholders are subject to any rights or restrictions attached to the shares held by them, whether or not such rights or restrictions are set out in the Articles" at the end of that Article,
- 2 3 6 in Model Article 27(2)(b), by the deletion of the word "had" after the word "holder" and the insertion of the words "from whom the transmittee derived such entitlement",
- 2 3 7 in Model Article 27(3), by the deletion of the words "by reason of the holder's death or bankruptcy or otherwise," and in their place the insertion of the words "by reason of the event which gave rise to the transmission,"
- 2 3 8 in Model Article 34(1), by the deletion of the words "on the recommendation of the directors" and replacing them with "or by a decision of the directors", and
- 2 3 9 in Model Article 49(1), by the addition of the words "or a committee of the directors authorised by the directors" at the end of the paragraph

DIRECTORS

3. Calling a directors' meeting

Notice of a directors' meeting need not be given to directors who waive their entitlement to notice of that meeting, by giving notice to that effect to the Company Where such notice is given after the meeting has been held, that does not affect the validity of the meeting, or of any business conducted at it

4. Directors to take decisions collectively

- 4 1 The general rule about decision-making by directors is that any decision of the directors must be either a majority decision at a meeting or in the form of a directors' written resolution in accordance with Article 5
- 4 2 Subject to the Articles, each director participating in a directors' meeting has one vote

5. Directors' written resolutions

- 5 1 Any director may propose a directors' written resolution by giving notice of the proposed resolution in writing to each director
- 5 2 Notice of a proposed directors' written resolution must set out the terms of the proposed resolution and may also set out the time by which it is proposed that the directors should adopt it
- 5 3 A proposed directors' written resolution is adopted when all of the directors who would have been entitled to vote on the resolution, and have their vote counted, at a directors' meeting have signed one or more copies of it or otherwise indicated their agreement in writing, provided that those directors who have signed it or otherwise indicated their agreement in writing would have formed a quorum at such a meeting
- 5 4 Once a directors' written resolution has been adopted, it must be treated as if it had been a decision taken at a directors' meeting in accordance with the Articles
- 5 5 A written resolution signed by an alternate director need not also be signed by or agreed to by his appointor

6. Quorum for directors' meetings

- 6 1 At a directors' meeting, unless a quorum is participating, no proposal is to be voted on, except a proposal to call another meeting
- 6 2 The quorum for directors' meetings may be fixed from time to time by a decision of the directors, but for so long as the Company has two or more directors, the quorum must never be less than two
- 6 3 If the total number of directors for the time being in office is less than the quorum required, the directors must not take any decision other than a decision
 - 6 3 1 to appoint further directors, or
 - 6 3 2 to call a general meeting so as to enable the shareholders to appoint further directors
- 6 4 The Company shall have at least one director For so long as the Company has only one director, the sole director shall form a quorum

7. Chairman's casting vote at directors' meetings

If the numbers of votes by directors who are entitled to vote, and have their vote counted, at a directors' meeting for and against a proposal are equal, the chairman or other director chairing the meeting shall not have a casting vote

8. Alternates voting at directors' meetings

A director who is also an alternate director has an additional vote on behalf of each appointor who is

- 8 1 not participating in a directors' meeting, and
- 8 2 would have been entitled to vote if they were participating in it

9. Directors' interests

- 9 1 For the purposes of this Article
 - 9 1 1 an interest of a person who is connected (within the meaning of section 252) with a director is treated as an interest of the director, and
 - 9 1 2 in the case of an alternate director, the interest of his appointor is treated as an interest of the alternate director in addition to any interest, which the alternate director may have
- 9 2 If he has declared his interest in accordance with the Companies Act, a director may
 - 9 2 1 be a party to, or in any way interested, whether directly or indirectly, in any contract, arrangement or transaction to which the Company is a party, or in which the Company is in any way interested, whether directly or indirectly,
 - 9 2 2 hold and be remunerated in respect of any office (other than the office of auditor of the Company) or employment under the Company or any other undertaking in which the Company is in any way interested,
 - 9 2 3 act (or any firm of which he is a shareholder, partner or employee may act) in a professional capacity (other than the office of auditor) for the Company or any such other undertaking and be remunerated for so acting,
 - 9 2 4 act as a director or other officer of, or be otherwise interested in, any undertaking promoted by the Company, and
 - 9 2 5 not be held accountable to the Company for any interest, remuneration, profit or other benefit which he (or a person connected with him) derives from any matter permitted by this Article and no such contract, transaction or arrangement is liable to be avoided on the grounds of any such interest or benefit
- 9 3 For the purposes of section 175, the directors have the power to authorise any matter which would or might otherwise constitute or give rise to a breach of the duty of a director under that section to avoid a situation in which he has, or can have, a direct or indirect interest that conflicts, or possibly may conflict, with the interests of the Company

- 9 4 Any authorisation of a matter under this Article shall be subject to such conditions, limitations and/or terms as the directors may decide, whether at the time such authorisation is given or subsequently, and may be varied or revoked by the directors at any time and at their absolute discretion. A director shall comply with any obligations imposed on him by the directors pursuant to any such authorisation.
- 9 5 A director shall not, save as otherwise agreed by him, be accountable to the Company for any benefit which he (or a person connected with him) derives from any matter authorised by the directors under Article 9 3 and any such related contract, transaction or arrangement is not liable to be avoided on the grounds of any such benefit.

10. Appointment and removal of alternate directors

- 10 1 Any director ("the appointor") (other than an alternate director) may appoint any other director or any other person approved by resolution of the directors, to act as his alternate and may remove from office an alternate so appointed.
- 10 2 Any appointment or removal of an alternate must be effected by notice in writing to the Company signed by the appointor, or in any other manner approved by the directors.

11. Rights and responsibilities of alternate directors

- 11 1 An alternate director has the same rights, in relation to any directors' meeting or directors' written resolution, as the alternate's appointor.
- 11 2 Except as the Articles specify otherwise, alternate directors
- 11 2 1 are deemed for all purposes to be directors,
 - 11 2 2 are liable for their own acts and omissions,
 - 11 2 3 are subject to the same restrictions as their appointors, and
 - 11 2 4 are not deemed to be agents of or for their appointors.
- 11 3 A person who is an alternate director but not a director
- 11 3 1 may be counted as participating for the purposes of determining whether a quorum is participating (but only if that person's appointor is not participating), and
 - 11 3 2 may sign a written resolution (but only if it is not signed or to be signed by that person's appointor).
- No alternate may be counted as more than one director for such purposes.
- 11 4 An alternate director is not entitled to receive any remuneration from the Company for serving as an alternate director except such part of the alternate's appointor's remuneration as the appointor may direct by notice in writing made to the Company.

12. Termination of alternate directorship

An alternate director's appointment as an alternate terminates

- 12 1 when the alternate's appointor revokes the appointment by notice to the Company in writing,
- 12 2 on the occurrence in relation to the alternate of any event which, if it occurred in relation to the alternate's appointor, would result in the termination of the appointor's appointment as a director,
- 12 3 on the death of the alternate's appointor,
- 12 4 when the alternate's appointor's appointment as a director terminates, or

DECISION-MAKING BY SHAREHOLDERS

13. Notice of general meetings

- 13 1 Notice of general meetings need not be given to shareholders who, under the provisions of these Articles or the terms of issue of the shares they hold, are not entitled to receive such notices from the Company
- 13 2 A shareholder present, in person or by proxy, at any general meeting or meeting of the holders of any class of shares shall be deemed to have been given, and received, the relevant notice of the meeting

14. Class meetings

The provisions of the Articles relating to general meetings apply, with any necessary modifications, to meetings of the holders of any class of shares

SHARES AND DISTRIBUTIONS

15. Share Issues

In accordance with section 567(1), sections 561 and 562 shall not apply to the allotment of equity securities (as defined in section 560(1)) by the Company

16. Transmission of shares

- 16 1 If title to a share passes to a transmittee, the Company may only recognise the transmittee as having any title to that share
- 16 2 A transmittee who produces such evidence of entitlement to shares as the directors may properly require
- 16 2 1 may, subject to the Articles, choose either to become the holder of those shares or to have them transferred to another person, and
- 16 2 2 subject to the Articles, and pending any transfer of the shares to another person, has the same rights as the holder from whom the transmittee derived such entitlement
- 16 3 But transmittees do not have the right to attend or vote at a general meeting, or agree to a proposed written resolution, in respect of shares to which they are entitled, by reason of the event which gave rise to the transmission, unless they become the holders of those shares

17. Transmittees and transferees bound by prior notices

If a notice is given to a shareholder in respect of shares and a transmittee (or a transferee of such transmittee pursuant to Article 28(2) of the Model Articles) is entitled to those shares, the transmittee (or the transferee) is bound by the notice if it was given to the shareholder before the transmittee's (or transferee's) name has been entered in the register of shareholders

18. Non-cash distributions

- 18 1 Subject to the terms of issue of the share in question, the Company may, by ordinary resolution or by a decision of the directors, decide to pay all or part of a dividend or other distribution payable in respect of a share by transferring non-cash assets of equivalent value (including, without limitation, shares or other securities in any company)
- 18 2 For the purposes of paying a non-cash distribution, the directors may make whatever arrangements they think fit, including, where any difficulty arises regarding the distribution
- 18 2 1 fixing the value of any assets,
- 18 2 2 paying cash to any distribution recipient on the basis of that value in order to adjust the rights of recipients, and
- 18 2 3 vesting any assets in trustees

ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS**19. Change of name**

The Company may change its name by decision of the directors