

Bottled in Bond Regulations:

Signed into law under the Bottled in Bond Act of 1897

NO BLENDING

Composed of the same type of spirits, made from the same class of materials (i.e. bonded whiskey can't be mixed with sugar cane spirits, nor can bonded rye whiskey be blended with, say, corn whiskey).

SAME SEASON

Made in the same season (distilling "seasons," legally speaking, are January–June and July–December), by the same producer at the same distillery.

MINIMUM AGE

Stored for at least four years in wooden containers i.e. barrels.

NO FLAVORING

Without the addition of any flavoring or blending material, and in fact, the bonded spirit cannot be changed from their original makeup in any way, **except for chill filtration**.

WATER IS OKAY

Cut to proof only by the addition of pure water.

STRONG WHISKEY

Bottled at 100 proof. Not "at least 100 proof." It's got to be one hundred proof.

WHO MADE IT?

Finally, on top of all the physical requirements, the bottle must state the producer/distiller's name and DSP number, where it was produced, as well as the bottling location.

SUMMARY:

The world's highest quality standard for spirits since 1897.