



Instructions for completing the sample entry form for the “International Extra Virgin Olive Oil Competition – IOC Mario Solinas Quality Award for the Southern Hemisphere” – 2025 organised by the INTERNATIONAL OLIVE COUNCIL

This guide is for the definitive importation of non-commercial samples intended to participate in the second edition of the “International Extra Virgin Olive Oil Competition – IOC Mario Solinas Quality Award for the Southern Hemisphere,” and for their analysis, if required. Each participant must complete the attached form before submitting their samples.

A. Completing the attached form

1. Date of issue: Indicate the date of the declaration using the entry form.
2. Participant details: Provide the name, company name, address, city and country of the participant.
3. Destination: All samples must be sent to the Dirección de Comercio Exterior de San Juan, Centro Cívico Building, 4th Floor, Nucleus 5, Av. Libertador Gral. San Martín 750 Oeste, CP 5400, San Juan, Argentina. (See A-7)
4. Means of transport: Indicate whether the samples are sent by air, sea or land.
5. Transport document number: Provide the tracking number, if available.
6. Olive oil details: Indicate the quantity, estimated value (set at 2 USD per litre, i.e., 1 USD per 500 ml bottle), and product description.
7. Customs office of entry: Declare the customs office through which the samples will enter.
8. Estimated date of entry: Provide the expected date of sample arrival.
9. Signature: The form must be signed by the declarant.

B. Sample shipping

Samples must be sent through the official postal service of the country of origin. Private couriers should be avoided if possible.

In the event that the shipping cannot be made through the official postal service of the country of origin, be it because the country does not have an official postal service or the official postal service does not do this type of shipping, then using the DHL service with customs clearance is recommended to ensure delivery to our office in San Juan, Argentina.

Participants must send to Argentina 4 (four) 500 ml bottles of extra virgin olive oil per entry (3 required by the rules and we recommend a 4th additional one in case of breakage). The shipment must include the chemical and sensory analysis certificates requested in the competition rules (see next section for analysis in Argentina).



C. Conducting sensory and physico-chemical analyses in Argentina

If a participant requests the organiser to carry out the sensory or physico-chemical analyses in Argentina, they shall proceed in the following way:

- The sending of 1 (one) 500 ml bottle of extra virgin olive oil per requested analysis is required (1 for sensory + 1 for physicochemical analysis).
- The deadline for receipt of samples for analysis is 25 July 2025.
- 1–2 bottles will be used for analyses (1 for sensory + 1 for physicochemical analysis) and 3 bottles for the competition (plus 1 for breakage or faultiness).
- The entry in the competition will not be accepted until results of both analyses are available.
- The participant covers the analysis costs, as per the competition rules.

D. Participation in this competition is free of charge

E. Sample and packaging identification

Samples must bear the label:

“Sample with no commercial value – Not for sale. International Extra Virgin Olive Oil Competition – Mario Solinas Quality Award – Southern Hemisphere 2025.”

Submission form

The sender must issue two copies of the form found on page 4 of this annex. One will be filed with the Ministry of Production, Labour and Innovation for samples entry via the General Directorate of Customs (DGA). The second must accompany the shipment.

If the Ministry of Production, Labour and Innovation already has a completed entry form, it will submit it for customs control facilitation.

The deadline for the submission of the form and samples is 8 August 2025, as stated in the competition rules.



Contact

For further information, contact the Dirección de Comercio Exterior de San Juan:

- Email: mariosolinashs@sanjuan.gov.ar
- Phone: +54 264 430-6424
- Hours: 7:00–13:00 (Argentina time)

List of IOC-recognised laboratories by country for physico-chemical analysis:

<https://www.internationaloliveoil.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/T.21Doc.-No-13Rev.-27-list-lab-24-25.pdf>

List of IOC-recognised laboratories by country for sensory analysis:

<https://www.internationaloliveoil.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/T.28Doc.-No-3Rev.-27-LISTPAN-24-25.pdf>



SAMPLE SUBMISSION FORM

"International Extra Virgin Olive Oil Competition - Mario Solinas Quality Award for the Southern Hemisphere" - 2025

1- Date of issue: / /

2- Participant details

Name:

Company/Registered name:

Address:

City:

Country:

Number:

Email address

3- DESTINATION

GOBIERNO DE SAN JUAN - CUIT:

30-99901516-2

MINISTERIO DE PRODUCCIÓN,

TRABAJO E INNOVACIÓN -

DIRECCIÓN DE COMERCIO EXTERIOR

AV. LIBERTADOR 750 (O), 4°

PISO, ALA ESTE, NÚCLEO 5.

CP: J5400ARU - SAN JUAN - ARGENTINA

4- MEANS OF TRANSPORT

AIR:

SEA:

LAND:

5- TRANSPORT DOCUMENT NUMBER:

6- OLIVE OIL DETAILS

QUANTITY:

ESTIMATED VALUE:

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:

7- CUSTOMS OFFICE OF ENTRY:

8- ESTIMATED DATE OF ENTRY:

SIGNATURE: _____

* You must print two copies of this form and attach one to the shipment.