There are many different definitions of beer styles and how to taste beers. A very good overview is provided by the BJCP. Here you can find a lot of information and documents on the subject of beer tasting.

BJCP- Beer Judge Certification Program



Quelle: www.bjcp.org

The Beer Judge Certification Program (BJCP) originates from the USA and was founded as a non-profit organization in 1985. Among other things, this program trains beer judges around the world. There are already a total of 7,500 judges worldwide.

The aim of the BJCP is to promote knowledge about beer and its tasting and, in addition, to standardize this knowledge. For this purpose, the BJCP provides all information and documents free of charge on its website.

Especially, the style guidelines list almost all current beer styles and explain them with numerous details. There is also a standardized sheet for rating, which helps in describing the beer.

Apart from the BJCP style guidelines, there are hardly any unified definitions of beer styles.

Links to the BJCP

BJCP Style Guidelines:

https://www.bjcp.org/bjcp-style-guidelines/

BJCP Tasting Sheet:

https://legacy.bjcp.org/docs/SCP_BeerScoreSheet.pdf

Overview of the BJCP exams:

https://www.bjcp.org/exam-certification/exam-program-overview/