



News Release

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Eleven out of 16 businesses in Roseburg pass OLCC checks for alcohol sales to minors

Roseburg, OR – Sixty nine percent of businesses in Roseburg checked for alcohol sales to minors passed by refusing to sell to the minor volunteers. The compliance check was performed by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission Jan. 28.

The 69 percent compliance rate was below the 2008 statewide average of 78 percent.

“It is so important for licensees and their employees to take a little time to really get a good look at the ID presented to them,” said Pete O'Rourke, Eugene Regional Manager. “Many sales to minors could be prevented by checking IDs properly.”

Roseburg (1/28/10)		
69% Passed		
BOB'S DELI 1147 NE STEPHENS ROSEBURG, OR	IDLE HOUR TAVERN 216 NE JACKSON ROSEBURG, OR	ALEXANDER'S GREEK CUISINE 643 SE JACKSON ROSEBURG, OR
ANTHONY'S ITALIAN CAFÉ AND BELLA SERA 500 SE CASS STREET #120 ROSEBURG, OR	J & J MARKET 1532 SE STEPHENS ROSEBURG, OR	YOGEE'S 611 SE CASS STREET ROSEBURG, OR
RITE AID #5382 444 SE STEPHENS ROSEBURG, OR	RITE AID #5380 1430 GARDEN VALLEY BLVD ROSEBURG, OR	DOUGLAS CO FARMERS CO-OP 3171 NE STEPHENS ROSEBURG, OR
SAFEWAY STORE #1666 1539 NE STEPHENS ROSEBURG, OR	BI-MART #609 1381 NW GARDEN VALLEY BLVD. ROSEBURG, OR	
31% Failed		
SHORT CUT MARKET 508 NE WINCHESTER ROSEBURG, OR	THE BAJA TACO 1859 DIAMOND LAKE BLVD ROSEBURG, OR	C & M TAVERN 841 SE CASS STREET ROSEBURG, OR
SOUTHGATE MARKET & DELI INC 19167 SE STEPHENS ROSEBURG, OR	THE BEAVER DEN BAR & GRILL 929 SE STEPHENS ROSEBURG, OR	

The commission performs the minor sales checks in an effort to reduce drinking by minors, which is a serious problem throughout the state. The OLCC tests about 1,800 licensed liquor businesses each year. Licensees or their employees can be held liable for alcohol-related damages and injuries if they serve or sell alcohol to a minor.

The OLCC offers a free training course on how to check ID's. Participants learn how to identify false identification and the laws regarding minors and alcohol. Additional training opportunities are available including classes for store clerks and service permit holders. Interested persons can call the local OLCC office to schedule a training session. (*Samples of OR Driver Licenses for minor and adult attached*)

During the sales checks, a minor volunteer attempts to purchase alcohol from a licensed business to see if staff are checking ID's correctly and refusing to sell alcohol to anyone under 21. Commission inspectors or other law enforcement officers supervise the minor volunteers. The volunteers carry their own legal ID that identifies them as under 21 and do not disguise their age or lie to encourage the sale of alcohol.

Under Oregon law, businesses in cities with a population of 20,000 or more have an equal chance of being randomly selected for a minor decoy compliance check. A business can also be selected for a compliance check if there is a documented complaint of sales to minors. Businesses in cities with a population under 20,000 and unincorporated areas in counties are not subject to these selection requirements.

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