



News Release

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Fourteen out of 15 Junction City businesses pass OLCC checks for alcohol sales to minors

Junction City, OR – Ninety three percent of the businesses checked in Junction City 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 93 percent compliance rate was well above the 2008 statewide average of 78 percent.

“It’s great to see licensees and their employees checking ID’s correctly,” said Pete O’Rourke, Eugene Regional Manager. “Spending a little extra time looking at the ID could prevent many sales to minors.”

Junction City (1/28/10)		
93% Passed		
THE TANKARD 330 HWY 99 SOUTH JUNCTION CITY, OR	VIKING INN 1155 IVY STREET JUNCTION CITY, OR	DARI-MART STORE #5 975 IVY STREET JUNCTION CITY, OR
IVY'S MINI MART 787 IVY STREET JUNCTION CITY, OR	EL CAMPECINO RESTAURANT 565 IVY STREET JUNCTION CITY, OR	BUGSY'S 559 IVY STREET JUNCTION CITY, OR
BAMBINO'S PIZZA & DELI 520 GREENWOOD JUNCTION CITY, OR	RODEO STEAK HOUSE & GRILL 495 HOLLY STREET JUNCTION CITY, OR	THE RAVEN A PUB JUNCTION CITY 160 WEST 6TH AVENUE JUNCTION CITY, OR
A TASTE GOURMET MARKET 270 WEST 6TH AVENUE JUNCTION CITY, OR	BI-MART #670 110 EAST 6TH AVENUE JUNCTION CITY, OR	CENTER MARKET 1610 IVY STREET JUNCTION CITY, OR
SAFEWAY STORE #386 1755 IVY STREET JUNCTION CITY, OR	ABBY'S PIZZA INN OF JUNCTION CITY 1425 IVY STREET JUNCTION CITY, OR	
7% Failed		
TIN SING RESTAURANT 1181 IVY STREET JUNCTION CITY, 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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