



News Release

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Prineville County businesses pass OLCC check for alcohol sales to minors

Bend, OR – Fifteen out of 19 businesses in Prineville passed a check for alcohol sales to minors by refusing to sell alcohol to a minor volunteer. The sales check was performed January 21 by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission and Prineville Police Department. The minor sales check was supported by Crook County Reduce Under-aged Drinking Task force (RUDI).

The 79 percent compliance rate was slightly below the 2010 statewide average of 80 percent.

“An extra 30 seconds can make a world of difference when checking ID,” said Katy Boyce, Bend Regional Manager. “Taking a little extra time to get a good look at the ID being presented can prevent a lot of alcohol sales to minors. We offer a free ID checking class for folks who want to learn more, or just need a refresher.”

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* <http://www.flickr.com/photos/oregonliquorcontrolcommission/sets/72157624623539267/>)

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.

Crook County - Prineville

19 premises visited: 15 No Sales, 4 Sales – Compliance rate of 79%

<u>NO SALES:</u>	<u>NO SALES:</u>	<u>NO SALES:</u>
7-ELEVEN #2363-20376G 405 E 3RD ST PRINEVILLE	BROTHERS FAMILY DINER 1053 MADRAS HWY PRINEVILLE	MAIN STREET SALOON 234 N MAIN ST #C PRINEVILLE
CINNABAR 121 NE 3RD ST PRINEVILLE	CROSS STREET STATION 1717 NE 3RD ST PRINEVILLE	MORELIA GRILL 901 NW MADRAS HWY PRINEVILLE
DILLON'S GRILL 145 NE 5TH PRINEVILLE	ERICKSON'S THRIFTWAY 315 W 3RD ST PRINEVILLE	MAIN STATION EXPRESS 999 N MAIN ST PRINEVILLE
HORSESHOE SALOON 410 N MAIN PRINEVILLE	LAMONTA ROAD HOUSE 1265 NW LAMONTA RD PRINEVILLE	PANDA RESTAURANT 555 NW MAIN ST PRINEVILLE
LUCKY 7 610 N MADRAS HWY PRINEVILLE	RITE AID #5393 1575 NE 3RD ST PRINEVILLE	WAGNER'S PRICE SLASHER 930 N MAIN ST PRINEVILLE
<u>SALES:</u>	<u>SALES:</u>	<u>SALES:</u>
DEBBIE SUE'S CAFÉ 1555 NE 3RD PRINEVILLE	GEE'S FAMILY RESTAURANT 987 W SECOND PRINEVILLE	PRINEVILLE 76 550 W 3RD ST PRINEVILLE
PRINEVILLE CHEVRON 398 NW 3RD PRINEVILLE		

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