How to Read an Oregon ID

Oregon sales clerks must check all persons under the age of 27 for valid ID before selling them tobacco products. The following IDs are acceptable as proof of age:

- Passport;
- Driver license with picture from Oregon or another state;
- Identification card with picture from Oregon or another state; and
- Any other ID card issued by a state or federal government agency.

The ID must contain the person's:

- Photo
- ☑ Date of birth

To ensure only lawful sales of tobacco products and vaping products, retailers are encouraged to accept only trustworthy forms of ID that include a person's name, address, physical description and signature.

How to check under 21 ID

This date refers to the date the individual turns 21. The customer needs to be 21 or older to purchase tobacco or vaping products. The red border feature is issued to Oregon residents under the age of 21.



Most customers carry an Oregon Driver License or an Oregon Identification Card. The Oregon Driver and Motor Vehicle (DMV) Services Branch issues both cards, which look similar.

Do not rush or allow yourself to be pressured when checking a customer's ID. Carefully check the ID in order to comply with the law.

Would you like more information about the laws against selling tobacco and vaping products to persons under 21 years of age? EMAIL: Tobacco.Inspections@state.or.us



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