



News Release

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Ten out of 13 Central Oregon businesses pass OLCC check for alcohol sales to minors

Bend, OR – Seventy seven percent of Central Oregon businesses that were checked by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission passed by refusing to sell alcohol to the minor volunteers. The compliance check was performed by the OLCC March 6.

The sales check resulted in a 77 percent compliance rate, which is consistent with the statewide average of 78 percent.

“We’re happy to see licensees and their employees take the time to check ID’s correctly,” said Katy Boyce, Bend Regional Manager. “Many sales to minors can be avoided by servers and clerks if they take a little longer to really look at the ID being presented.”

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| Bend (3/6/10) | | |
| 77% Passed | | |
| POST GENERAL STORE 28550 SW PAULINA HWY POST, OR | RITE AID #5393 1575 NE 3RD ST PRINEVILLE, OR | RAY'S FOOD PLACE #60 1535 E 3RD ST PRINEVILLE, OR |
| RANCHERO MEXICAN RESTAURANT 964 NW 3RD ST PRINEVILLE, OR | US MARKET 1242 SW HIGHLAND REDMOND, OR | REDMOND CHEVRON 2005 S HWY 97 REDMOND, OR |
| RAY'S FOOD PLACE #65 900 SW 23 ST REDMOND, OR | SASSY'S CAFÉ 3113 S HWY 97 REDMOND, OR | TWINS JJ 535 SW 6TH ST REDMOND, OR |
| TERREBONNE THRIFTWAY 8431 11TH ST TERREBONNE, OR | | |
| 23% Failed | | |
| THE SMOKEHOUSE 3170 NE 3RD ST PRINEVILLE, OR | TOM & CHARLEY'S 1590 3RD ST SUITE B & C PRINEVILLE, OR | LEATHER'S FUEL 801 W 3RD ST PRINEVILLE, OR |

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. 541-388-6292 (*Samples of OR Driver Licenses for minor and adult attached*)

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.

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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