



News Release

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Hillsboro businesses pass OLCC check for alcohol sales to minors

Portland, OR – Twelve out of 14 Hillsboro businesses visited passed a check for alcohol sales to minors by refusing to sell alcohol to a minor volunteer. The sales checks were performed May 28 by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission and the Hillsboro Police Department.

The sales check resulted in a compliance rate of 86 percent which is higher than the 2010 statewide average of 80 percent.

“With kids getting out of school for the summer, businesses need to be on alert for minors trying to purchase alcohol,” said Janice Kindrick, Regional Enforcement Manager. “We are really proud of the Hillsboro businesses who didn’t sell. By checking ID, they are doing their part to reduce access to alcohol by teens.”

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 licensed liquor businesses throughout the year. Licensees or their employees could 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. The Oregon Driver license for a minor carries a red border around the picture with the words “Under 21 until” followed by the date of his/her 21st birthday.

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.

“Promoting Responsible Alcohol Sales and Service”

Did you know that in the last two years, the OLCC distributed more than \$343 million to Oregon's General Fund, Cities, Counties, and Drug and Alcohol Abuse Programs? [See the distribution of dollars on OLCC's Website.](#)

Hillsboro

14 premises visited: 12 No Sales, 2 Sales – Compliance rate of 86%.

<u>NO SALES:</u>	<u>NO SALES:</u>
ALBERTSON'S #591 888 NE 25TH AVE HILLSBORO	RITE AID #5338 2425 SE TV HWY HILLSBORO
FRED MEYER #143 6495 SE TV HWY HILLSBORO	SAFEWAY STORE #1203 2525 SW TV HWY HILLSBORO
HANK'S THRIFTWAY 661 S BASELINE HILLSBORO	SUPER MERCADOS MEXICO 970 SE OAK ST HILLSBORO
HILLSBORO GROCERY OUTLET 354 S FIRST AVE HILLSBORO	TARGET STORE T-0362 2295 SE TV HWY HILLSBORO
HILLSBORO MINI MART 517 SW 1ST AVE HILLSBORO	WALGREENS #11719 6215 SE TV HWY HILLSBORO
PLAID PANTRY #67 984 W BASELINE RD HILLSBORO	WINCO FOODS #28 1500 SW OAK HILLSBORO
<u>SALES:</u>	<u>SALES:</u>
FRUTERIA LA CABANA ALIMEX #2 451 S 1ST AVE #600 HILLSBORO	ALBERTSON'S #590 7500 W BASELINE RD HILLSBORO

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