



News Release

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69% of businesses in Yamhill County pass OLCC check for alcohol sales to minors

Salem, OR – Twenty four out of 35 businesses visited in Yamhill County passed a check for alcohol sales to minors by refusing to sell alcohol to a minor volunteer. The sales checks were performed September 9 by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission.

The sales check resulted in a compliance rate of 69 percent which is significantly lower than the 2010 statewide average of 80 percent.

“Research shows that underage drinking cost Oregonians millions of dollars dealing with issues like youth violence, traffic crashes, injuries, property crime and youth alcohol treatment,” said James Lynch, Salem Region Manager. “It’s important for everyone who sells or serves alcohol to do their part in preventing alcohol sales to minors.”

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.](#)

Yamhill County

35 premises visited: 24 No Sales, 11 Sales – Compliance rate of 69%.

<u>NO SALES:</u>	<u>NO SALES:</u>
AMITY FOODS & COFFEE HOUSE 615 TRADE ST AMITY	PIED PIPER PUB 325 W MAIN ST CARLTON
AMITY MARKET 520 S TRADE ST AMITY	RAY'S FOOD PLACE #79 112 W MAIN ST WILLAMINA
AZABACHE GRILL 518 S BRIDGE ST SHERIDAN	SHERIDAN BILL'S MARKET 836 E MAIN ST SHERIDAN
BENNY HUIE'S RESTAURANT LOUNGE 209 S BRIDGE ST SHERIDAN	SHERIDAN SELECT MARKET 135 S BRIDGE ST SHERIDAN
THE CARLTON WINEMAKERS STUDIO 801 N SCOTT ST CARLTON	T & E GENERAL STORE 110 MAPLE ST YAMHILL
CENTER MARKET #6 901 FERRY ST DAYTON	THE BLUE GOAT 506 S TRADE ST AMITY
CIELO BLU 119 W MAIN ST CARLTON	THE HORSE RADISH 211 W MAIN ST CARLTON
COYOTE JOE'S 142 NE MAIN ST WILLAMINA	T J'S SUPERETTE 129 W MAIN ST SHERIDAN
FOLIN CELLARS 118 W MAIN ST CARLTON	TRASK MOUNTAIN OUTPOST 195 W MAIN YAMHILL
HALL'S CHEVRON 402 TRADE ST AMITY	TROON VINEYARD 250 N KUTCH ST CARLTON
LAGO DE CHAPALA 240 S MAPLE YAMHILL	YAMHILL SHELL FOOD STATION 585 N MAPLE ST YAMHILL
LEE'S GARDEN 119 E MAIN ST SHERIDAN	ZIPPY'S PIZZA 180 S MAPLE ST YAMHILL

<u>SALES:</u>	<u>SALES:</u>
ALEXANA WINERY 116 W MAIN ST CARLTON	PUTTS MARKET 304 FERRY ST DAYTON

CANA'S FEAST 750 W LINCOLN ST CARLTON	ROMAN'S PIZZA/FERRY ST LANDING LOUNGE 400 FERRY ST DAYTON
CARLTON CELLARS 130 W MONROE ST CARLTON	SCOTT PAUL WINES 141 S PINE ST CARLTON
CARLTON CORNER SERVICE 150 N YAMHILL CARLTON	TIENDA Y VIDEO ZU KAZA 308 FERRY ST DAYTON
DA BOY'S CARLTON MARKET 320 N YAMHILL CARLTON	TYRUS EVAN 120 N PINE CARLTON
LUPITA'S TACOS 312 FERRY ST DAYTON	

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