



News Release

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Yamhill County businesses pass OLCC check for alcohol sales to minors

Salem, OR – Thirty-two out of 37 businesses in Yamhill County passed a check for alcohol sales to minors by refusing to sell alcohol to a minor volunteer. The sales check was performed April 15 by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission and Yamhill County Sheriff's Office.

The 86 percent compliance rate was above the 2010 statewide average of 80 percent.

"Prom and Graduation season are just around the corner," said James Lynch, Salem Regional Manager. "We want to ensure they are successful and memorable events by keeping alcohol out of the hands of minors. When businesses refuse to sell, that's one less way that teens can get it."

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.

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.

Yamhill County

37 premises visited: 32 No Sales, 5 Sales – Compliance rate of 86%.

<u>NO SALES:</u>	<u>NO SALES:</u>
3RD STREET PIZZA CO 433 NE 3RD ST MCMINNVILLE	GROCERY OUTLET OF MCMINNVILLE 568 N HWY 99W MCMINNVILLE
ANTONIO'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT 416 E 3RD ST LAFAYETTE	HAAGENSON'S CATERING & RIBSLAYER TO GO 575 NE 2ND ST MCMINNVILLE
BEST WESTERN VINEYARD INN 2035 S HWY 99W MCMINNVILLE	HARVEST FRESH PRODUCE & GROCERY 251 NE 3RD ST MCMINNVILLE
BILL'S MARKET 293 BRIDGE ST LAFAYETTE	HOTEL OREGON MCMENAMINS 310 N EVANS ST MCMINNVILLE
BLUE MOON 310 SE THIRD ST MCMINNVILLE	JACKSONS #538 2005 S HWY 99W MCMINNVILLE
CIRCLE K 511 1920 LAFAYETTE AVE MCMINNVILLE	JAKE'S DELI 1208 S BAKER MCMINNVILLE
CIRCLE K STORE #1298 840 E 3RD ST MCMINNVILLE	LA RAMBLA 238 NE 3RD ST MCMINNVILLE
EL TORITO MARKET 523 SW BAKER ST MCMINNVILLE	MAC CLUB 2223 MCDANIEL LN MCMINNVILLE
FREDDIE'S DELI & PUB 1250 NE BAKER ST MCMINNVILLE	MCMINNVILLE LIQUOR STORE 1270 NE BAKER ST MCMINNVILLE

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<u>NO SALES:</u>	<u>NO SALES:</u>
MINI SUPER HIDALGO 903 NE 3RD ST MCMINNVILLE	RED LION INN & SUITES 2535 NE CUMULUS AVE MCMINNVILLE
NICK'S ITALIAN CAFÉ 521 NE THIRD ST MCMINNVILLE	ROADHOUSE PUB 335 THIRD ST LAFAYETTE
NW FOOD & GIFTS 445 NE 3RD ST MCMINNVILLE	ROBERTS SHELL 516 E 3RD ST LAFAYETTE
PARADISE CIRCLE K 160 SW HILL RD MCMINNVILLE	RUBY'S MART & TOBACCO 2411 NE MCDONALD LN MCMINNVILLE
PEOPLE'S MARKET 301 3RD ST LAFAYETTE	THISTLE 228 N EVANS MCMINNVILLE
PLAID PANTRY #46 1911 N BAKER ST MCMINNVILLE	WEDNESDAY WINES 250 NE 3RD ST MCMINNVILLE
R STUART & CO WINE BAR 528 NE 3RD ST MCMINNVILLE	WINCO FOODS #41 2585 NE HWY 99W MCMINNVILLE
<u>SALES:</u>	<u>SALES:</u>
LA FONDA RESTAURANT 525 SW BAKER ST MCMINNVILLE	SHARI' S OF MCMINNVILLE 1220 N BAKER MCMINNVILLE
MERCADO ABASTOS 160 W 3RD ST LAFAYETTE	WILLAMETTE VALLEY VINEYARDS WINE CENTER 300 NE 3RD ST MCMINNVILLE
ORCHARDS BISTRO 313 NE THIRD ST MCMINNVILLE	

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"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.](#)