



News Release

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Corvallis businesses pass OLCC check for alcohol sales to minors

Eugene, OR – Sixteen out of 22 businesses in Corvallis passed a check for alcohol sales to minors by refusing to sell alcohol to a minor volunteer. The sales check was performed May 25 by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission.

The 73 percent compliance rate was slightly below the 2010 statewide average of 80 percent.

“Graduation season is upon us,” said Pete O’Rourke, Enforcement Director. “Unfortunately, graduation season has a high rate of alcohol-related teenage traffic fatalities. We want to applaud the businesses that refuse to sell to minors. They are doing their part to keep alcohol out of the hands of 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.

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.

Corvallis

22 premises visited: 16 No Sales, 6 Sales – Compliance rate of 73%.

<u>NO SALES:</u>	<u>NO SALES:</u>
7-ELEVEN STORE #2363-22935C 2405 SE 3RD ST CORVALLIS	MARKET OF CHOICE #7 922 NW CIRCLE BLVD 110 CORVALLIS
APPLEBEE'S 191 NE FOUR ACRE PL CORVALLIS	MCMENAMIN'S 420 NW 3RD ST CORVALLIS
BIG RIVER RESTAURANT & BAR 101 NW JACKSON ST CORVALLIS	NEW CHINA BUFFET 1720 NW 9TH STREET CORVALLIS
BI-MART #604 2045 N 9TH STREET CORVALLIS	PIZZA HUT 2575 NW KINGS BLVD CORVALLIS
CIRCLE K STORE 3292 1467 NW MONROE CORVALLIS	RITE AID #5366 2080 NW 9TH STREET CORVALLIS
CIRELLO'S PIZZA 919F NW CIRCLE BLVD CORVALLIS	RIVERVIEW MONGOLIAN GRILL 230 NW 1ST STREET CORVALLIS
FIRST ALTERNATIVE COOP 1007 SE 3RD STREET CORVALLIS	SAFEWAY STORE #4333 450 SW THIRD STREET CORVALLIS
KING TIN RESTAURANT 1857 NW 9TH STREET CORVALLIS	SANCHO'S MEXICAN GRILL 1425 NW MONROE ST #A CORVALLIS
<u>SALES:</u>	<u>SALES:</u>
AQUA SEAFOOD RESTAURANT 151 NW MONROE ST #102 CORVALLIS	RUBY TUESDAY 1895 NW 9TH ST PLAZA 9 CORVALLIS
DARI MART STORE #13 440 SW WESTERN BLVD CORVALLIS	WINEOPOLIS 151 NW MONROE #103 CORVALLIS
LA ROCKITA MEXICAN REST 370 A SW WESTERN BLVD CORVALLIS	WINE STYLES CORVALLIS 2333 NW KINGS BLVD CORVALLIS

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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.](#)