



News Release

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43% of businesses in Bend pass OLCC check for alcohol sales to minors

Bend, OR – Six out of 14 businesses visited in Bend passed a check for alcohol sales to minors by refusing to sell alcohol to a minor volunteer. The sales checks were performed February 24 by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission.

The sales check resulted in a compliance rate of 43 percent which is significantly below the 2011 statewide average of 76 percent.

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.

Bend

14 premises visited: 6 No Sales, 8 Sales – Compliance rate of 43%.

<u>SALES</u>	<u>SALES</u>	<u>NO SALES</u>
ROOSTER DELI 527 NE BELLEVUE DR #100 BEND	TACO DEL MAR 63455 N HWY 97 BLDG #4-41 BEND	SAFEWAY STORE #1504 2650 NE HWY 20 BEND
PARKWAY DELI 1095 SE DIVISION BEND	COST PLUS WORLD MARKET 63455 N HWY 97 #16 BEND	BEND SOUTH LIQUOR STORE 61153 S HWY 97 BEND
RED DRAGON CHINESE RESTAURANT 61247 HWY 97 BEND	SIDELINES SPORTS BAR AND GRILL 1020 NW WALL ST BEND	SLICK'S QUE CO 212 NE REVERE BEND
BINKY'S 1120 S HWY 97 #100 BEND		NATURES GENERAL STORE 1900 NE 3 RD ST #104 BEND
JACKPOT FOOD MART 3405 N HWY 97 BEND		SZECHUAN RESTAURANT 1600 NE 3 RD ST BEND
		TARGET STORE #T-0766 63435 N HWY 97 BEND

"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.](#)

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