



News Release

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81% of businesses checked in Veneta pass OLCC check for alcohol sales to minors

EUGENE, OR – Nine out of 11 businesses visited in Veneta passed a check for alcohol sales to minors by refusing to sell alcohol to a minor volunteer. The sales checks were performed August 28, 2013 by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission.

The sales check resulted in a compliance rate of 81 percent which is consistent with the 2012 statewide average of 81 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 "Minor 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.

Minor Decoy Operation

August 28, 2013

VENETA

11 premises visited: 9 No Sales, 2 Sales – Compliance rate of 81%

<p><u>NO SALES</u> BILLY JEANS 25585 HWY 126 VENETA</p> <p>BI-MART #669 25126 JEANS RD VENETA</p> <p>BONNE CHANCE BISTRO 88338 TERRITORIAL RD VENETA</p> <p>COUNTRYSIDE PIZZA 88338 TERRITORIAL RD VENETA</p> <p>CRAZY AL'S BAR AND GRILL 88186 FOURTH ST VENETA</p>	<p><u>NO SALES</u> DARI-MART #27 88278 TERRITORIAL RD VENETA</p> <p>DS MART 87754 TERRITORIAL RD VENETA</p> <p>HO HO CHINESE RESTAURANT 88114-6 TERRITORIAL RD VENETA</p> <p>DARI-MART #33 25929 HWY 126 VENETA</p>
<p><u>SALES</u> DS MART 87754 TERRITORIAL RD VENETA</p>	<p><u>SALES</u> WINERIES WITHOUT WALLS 24949 HWY 126 VENETA</p>

"Promoting Responsible Alcohol Sales and Service"

*Did you know that in the last two years, the OLCC distributed more than \$397 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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