



News Release

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91% of businesses checked in Grants Pass and Medford pass OLCC check for alcohol sales to minors

MEDFORD, OR – Twenty-one out of 23 businesses visited in Medford and Grants Pass passed a check for alcohol sales to minors by refusing to sell alcohol to a minor volunteer. The sales checks were performed August 16, 2013 by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission.

The sales check resulted in a compliance rate of 91 percent which is above 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

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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 16, 2013

Medford, Grants Pass

23 premises visited: 21 No Sales, 2 Sales – Compliance rate of 91%

<p><u>NO SALES</u> MARIO'S SANDWICHES 1889 NE 7TH ST GRANTS PASS</p> <p>QUIKI-MART & DELI X-PRESS 556 SW G ST GRANTS PASS</p> <p>GRANTS PASS GROCERY OUTLET 350 NE AGNESS AVE GRANTS PASS</p> <p>THE STORE 2037 ROBERTS RD MEDFORD</p> <p>JOE'S SPORTS BAR & GRILL/ STAR CATERING 2061 ROBERTS RD MEDFORD</p> <p>WILD RIVER BREWING & PIZZA CO 2684 N PACIFIC HWY MEDFORD</p> <p>JACKSON CREEK PIZZA 317 E MAIN ST MEDFORD</p> <p>RED ROCK LOUNGE 112A NE MORGAN LN GRANTS PASS</p> <p>FRED MEYER #126 1101 GRANTS PASS PARKWAY GRANTS PASS</p> <p>CAVEMAN BOWL 1230 ROGUE RIVER HWY GRANTS PASS</p> <p>THE LUCKY DUCK 1867 REDWOOD AVE GRANTS PASS</p>	<p><u>NO SALES</u> HOWIEE'S ON FRONT 16 N FRONT ST MEDFORD</p> <p>WALGREENS#12596 2280 W MAIN ST MEDFORD</p> <p>LOS ARCOS RESTAURANT 1501 SAGE RD UNIT #A MEDFORD</p> <p>MINUTE MARKET#4 610 E MAIN ST MEDFORD</p> <p>ELK'S LODGE #1168 MEDFORD 202 N CENTRAL MEDFORD</p> <p>WILD RIVER BREWING & PIZZA 595 NE E ST GRANTS PASS</p> <p>TOWNE PLACE SUITES BY MARRIOTT 1395 CENTER DR MEDFORD</p> <p>ROGUE REGENCY INN & SUITES 2300 BIDDLE RD MEDFORD</p> <p>WALKABOUT BREWING COMPANY 921 MASON WAY MEDFORD</p> <p>CEDARWOOD SALOON 1345 REDWOOD AVE GRANTS PASS</p>
<p><u>SALES</u> BOHEMIAN CLUB 123 W MAIN MEDFORD</p>	<p><u>SALES</u> SPORTS PARK SNACK & SHINE 3082 SAMIKE DR MEDFORD</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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