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2019 Facts and Stats

Grade "A" for February

According to Idaho Code 39-5701, the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare must inspect each business that sells tobacco to ensure that it does not sell tobacco to minors. In February:

- 53 Vendors were inspected.*
- 3 Vendors sold to the inspecting minor.
- The compliance rate for the month was 98.11%

*Non-minor Exempt Inspections where purchase attempts were made.

Prevent the Sale Website

[Preventthesale.com/
Idaho](http://Preventthesale.com/Idaho)

Look for our new game, additional training and point-of-sale resources for retailers, and updated ID information!

Idaho & The Battle to Stop Fake IDs

It's easy to assume that with all the new security features embedded in our IDs that creating fake ones would be nearly impossible. Unfortunately, this is not so. Simply *Google* "get a fake ID for Idaho" and you'll find numerous companies ready to provide any willing buyer an ID.

According to a news report from the Idaho Statesman, many underage kids are getting fake IDs from online companies based in China. The news report went on to indicate that these IDs can be so real it can be nearly impossible to tell the difference between a real and fake ID. You can see the report here for more details. <https://www.idahostatesman.com/latest-news/article207467714.html>

Obviously, this is concerning. Not only is having a fake ID against the law, but kids with fake IDs make it harder for retailers to keep tobacco out of the hands of Idaho's youth.

Below are some things to consider when looking to spot a fake ID and some resources Idaho tobacco retailers may find helpful:

- Be sure to train all employees on what IDs look like in Idaho and learn to tell the difference between adult and underage ID formats
- Do a *Physical* and *Visual* Inspection of the ID when a customer seems young
- Ask the customer some questions if the ID appears to be fake or even borrowed
- Look for laser engraving errors on the IDs
- Look for overlapping data on the IDs
- Look for bumps or ridges on the IDs
- Consider purchasing a I.D. Checking Guide. This type of guide provides the latest information on what current states IDs look like. You can get a guide like this from <https://driverslicenseguide.com>
- Additional resources to check out: <http://preventthesale.com/Idaho/ids.htm> and <https://www.driverslicenseguide.com/spot-fake-id-infographic.html>

What's In a Cigarette?

Did you know that according to the American Lung Association (<https://www.lung.org/stop-smoking/smoking-facts/whats-in-a-cigarette.html>) there are approximately 600 ingredients in cigarettes that create more than 7000 chemicals when burned? At least 69 of the chemicals in that smoke are known to be toxic and cause cancer. Here are just a few chemicals found in tobacco smoke:

- **Acetone**—found in nail polish remover
- **Acetic acid**—an ingredient in hair dye
- **Ammonia**—a common household cleaner
- **Arsenic**—used in rat poison
- **Benzene**—found in rubber cement and gasoline
- **Butane**—used in lighter fluid
- **Cadmium**—active component in battery acid
- **Carbon monoxide**—released in car exhaust fumes
- **Formaldehyde**—embalming fluid
- **Hexamine**—found in barbecue lighter fluid
- **Lead**—used in batteries
- **Naphthalene**—an ingredient in mothballs
- **Methanol**—a main component in rocket fuel
- **Nicotine**—used as an insecticide
- **Tar**—material for paving roads
- **Toluene**—used to manufacture paint



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