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ID Tobacco Project Website: healthandwelfare.idaho.gov
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2019 FACTS AND STATS

Compliance Grade:

A

July 2019 to
December 2019

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.

How well did Idaho Tobacco Retailers comply with the law?

- 807 Tobacco Retailers were inspected.*
- 130 Tobacco Retailers sold to the inspecting minor.
- The compliance rate for the last six months was 95.91%

WELL DONE!

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

TIME IS RUNNING OUT TO RENEW TOBACCO PERMITS!

Renew your permits before **December 31, 2019** to avoid penalties. It can be done online for free at: <http://www.tobaccopermits.com/Idaho>.

Need help? Call our permitting team toll free at 877-641-4468, or you can submit a contact request online by selecting the "Contact Us" link on the www.tobaccopermits.com/Idaho/ homepage.

Don't forget, selling tobacco after December 31, 2019 without a valid permit (a 2020 permit) is illegal and a CRIMINAL offense.

Who Are Idaho's Teen Inspectors?

Did you know that Idaho's Teen Inspectors are taxpaying employees who have an interest in the mission of the Idaho Tobacco Project? Each of our teens care about preventing the sale of tobacco to minors and reducing early onset tobacco use amongst their peers.

It is a common misconception that our teens are troubled youth on some type of work release program. This is not the case at all. In fact, our teens have excellent grades in school and are emerging young leaders in our community. Our Teen Inspectors must meet the following requirements:

- Be between 16 and 17 years old
- Complete a training program
- Cannot use tobacco in any form,
- Have a passing GPA in high school
- Have their parents or guardian's permission to participate in the program, and
- Not be in any kind of trouble with the law or with their schools

Idaho's Teen Inspectors are smart, well-trained youth who care about their community and their peers' health. They do NOT want their peers to start using tobacco. They are professionals who are trained to be respectful to retailers and other customers. Their sincerest wish is that no retailer sells them tobacco products during an inspection.

REMINDER: Tobacco Permits Are Not Transferable

A quick reminder during permit renewal season. Idaho Tobacco Permits do not transfer from owner to owner when a business is bought or sold. New owners must obtain a permit in their own name. If you are planning on selling your tobacco retail business, please contact us and let us know about either your business closure or about the change in ownership. Should you plan on purchasing a new or existing business that sells tobacco be sure to obtain a NEW permit. Getting a permit is FREE and easy and it's the LAW! A permit to sell tobacco can be obtained online at www.tobaccopermits.com/Idaho. Questions? Call our permitting team toll free at 877-641-4468.

Your Friendly Reminder Checklist for the Upcoming New Year

- Have you renewed your tobacco permit?
- Are you in compliance with the Idaho Tobacco laws?
- Are you well trained and prepared for a compliance check?
- Are you and your employees trained to say "No" to minors who try to purchase tobacco products?
- Are your tobacco products displayed in accordance with Idaho's laws?
- Do you know how to identify a fake ID?
- Have you played any of the training games at preventthesale.com?
- Have you signed a Department of Health and Welfare form indicating that you understand the state law requirements? If not, it is provided on the last page of the Idaho Administrative Rules found under "Know the Law" on Preventthesale.com.
- Have you and your employees visited the Preventthesale.com website?

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the Sale!**

Training for Idaho
Tobacco Retailers

Need information on the Idaho tobacco law, training and point-of-sale resources, information about what IDs look like, a helpful quiz and game to practice when to refuse the sale of tobacco to a customer, and many other resources tailored to Idaho Tobacco Retailers? Check out our website designed just for Idaho Tobacco Retailers: Preventthesale.com/Idaho

Wishing you Happy Holidays and a Wonderful New Year!



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