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2023 FACTS AND STATS

What was the
Compliance Grade for
state tobacco and
electronic smoking
device inspections?

Grade **A-**
for
August 2023

According to Idaho Code 39-5701, the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare must inspect each Permitted Retailer that sells tobacco and electronic smoking devices to ensure that it does not sell these products to minors.

How well did these Permitted Retailers comply with the law in August 2023?

- 206 Permitted Retailers were inspected. *
- 17 Permitted Retailers sold to the inspecting minor.
- The compliance rate for August 2023 was:

91.75%

KEEP IT UP!

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

Permit Renewal Season Will Begin October 1

Mark Your Calendars for October 1, 2023!

Annual permit renewal season is here. Each year, Idaho Tobacco and Electronic Smoking Device Retailers, must renew their tobacco permit. This annual permit renewal activity happens every year beginning October 1 and ends December 31. If you fail to renew your permit by December 31, 2023, your retail location will be selling tobacco products and/or electronic smoking devices illegally once the permit expires.

Who Needs a Permit?

Any retailer who sells tobacco and/or electronic smoking devices to the public within the boundaries of the State of Idaho, is required to obtain and keep a valid state tobacco and electronic smoking device permit.

There are civil and criminal penalties for selling tobacco and/or electronic smoking devices in Idaho without a permit. To avoid these penalties, be sure to keep your Idaho Tobacco and Electronic Smoking Device Permit renewed each year your business is selling tobacco and/or electronic smoking devices to the public.

To understand if your retail location sells products requiring an Idaho Tobacco and/or Electronic Smoking Device Retailers, review [Idaho Code 39-5702. Definitions, Section 13.](#)

Things to Know about Permit Renewal?

- ✓ Renewal Begins October 1, 2023 and end December 31, 2023
- ✓ Once the renewal process is complete, your Idaho Tobacco and Electronic Smoking Device Permit will be valid until December 31, 2024.
- ✓ The cost of an Idaho Tobacco and Electronic Smoking Device Permit is **FREE**.
- ✓ Getting a new permit or renewing a permit is fast and easy.
- ✓ There is no waiting period.
- ✓ Idaho Tobacco and Electronic Smoking Device Permits are **NOT TRANSFERRABLE**. Permits cannot be transferred to a new owner. New owners will need to obtain a **NEW** permit for that retail location instead of renewing the existing permit associated with the old owner.
- ✓ **We are here to help!** Have any technical difficulties or questions, or just want help renewing? Call us directly at 877-641-4468 or send us an email through the "Contact Us" link on the tobaccopermits.com/Idaho homepage.

How to Renew

Go to tobacopermit.com/Idaho to renew your permit online.

- ✓ A valid email address is required to renew an Idaho Tobacco and Electronic Smoking Device Permit. If you have no email, please call us for renewal assistance at 877-641-4468.
- ✓ Once the permit renewal questions are completed, a permit is electronically issued to you and is available to print.
 - Be sure to turn off your pop-up blocker to allow for the print screen to be generated.
 - If you have difficulties printing your permit, email us using the [“Contact Us”](#) feature on the homepage or call us at 877-641-4468 to request a copy.
- ✓ Skip the Address Validation step when renewing your permit. Instead, re-enter your address when prompted and move to the next step in renewal.
- ✓ **Pay Outstanding Fines.** Retailer fines must be paid before the permit renewal can occur. Fines can be paid online or by mailing a check. If you have questions about how to pay a retailer fine, call us at 877-641-4468.
- ✓ Are you a **Corporate Headquarters** with more than one retail location throughout the state? Each location selling tobacco and/or electronic smoking devices must have its own permit. For help setting up a corporate profile or for help renewing multiple retail locations, email us using the [“Contact Us”](#) feature on the homepage or call us at 877-641-4468 for immediate assistance.

No Longer Need a Permit?

Don't need an Idaho Tobacco and Electronic Smoking Device Permit anymore? We will need to administratively deactivate the permit associated with your business on our system. Let us know right away!

- ✓ Email us using the [“Contact Us”](#) feature on the homepage. In your email, be sure to indicate why you no longer need a permit. These reasons include: Change of Ownership; No longer selling tobacco or electronic smoking devices; On an Indian Reservation; Out of Business; or provide Other explanation.
- ✓ Call us at 877-641-4468 for assistance by phone.

If at any time you decide to resume the sale of tobacco or electronic smoking devices your permit can be administratively reactivated upon request.

Prevent-The-Sale!

Idaho Tobacco Retailers have two resources for Prevent-The-Sale content: Visit Idaho's Department of Health and Welfare's official [Idaho Tobacco Project-Prevent The Sale](#) webpage for statewide information. Visit Idaho Tobacco Projects interactive website Preventthesale.com for interactive and evolving content, including newsletter archives, information on IDs, and downloadable resources and documents. This site has new material available for download!



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