



A Newsletter for Idaho Tobacco Retailers
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ID Tobacco Project Website: <http://www.tobacopermits.com/Idaho/>

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Facts and Stats

Grade "A-" for November

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 November:

- 227 Vendors were inspected.*
- 16 Vendors sold to the inspecting minor.
- The compliance rate for the month was 91.49%

*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!

Renew Your Tobacco Permit NOW

By Annette Ludington

Tobacco Permits EXPIRE December 31, 2016

As a reminder, all 2016 Idaho Tobacco Permits will expire December 31, 2016. After this date, retailers that continue to sell tobacco products without [renewing their](#) permit are doing so illegally.

Renewal is free, fast and easy! Go to Idaho Tobacco Permits to renew online at: www.tobacopermits.com/Idaho/index.htm. You can also send an electronic request for permit renewal assistance by selecting the "contact us" on the homepage should you need additional assistance. To renew by phone, please call the Idaho Tobacco Project at 208-334-0642.

Remember, a valid email address is required to renew or obtain a new permit, and all outstanding fines must be paid before your renewal can be finalized.

DON'T DELAY!



If possible, please keep your Tobacco Permit readily available near the location where tobacco is sold. FDA Inspectors need to take a picture of this permit during Advertising and Labeling inspections. This would be greatly appreciated by inspection staff and would save the retailer staff time looking for the permit during the FDA inspection. Thank you!

E-Cigarette Use by Youth

E-Cigarettes are increasingly popular among teens. [Some states, including Idaho, have](#) banned the sale of e-cigarettes to minors, but teens have been ordering them online. Their easy availability (online or via mall kiosks), in addition to their wide array of cartridge flavors (such as coffee, mint, candy, and fruit flavors), have helped make them particularly appealing to this age group. As a part of the FDA's new regulation to protect the health of our youth, minors will no longer be able to buy e-cigarettes in person or online.

In addition to the unknown health effects, early evidence suggests that e-cigarette use may serve as an introductory product for youth who then go on to use other tobacco products, including conventional cigarettes, which are known to cause disease and lead to premature death. A recent study showed that students who have used e-cigarettes by the time they start 9th grade are more likely than others to start smoking traditional cigarettes and other smokable tobacco products within the next year (Rigotti, 2015).

<https://www.drugabuse.gov/publications/drugfacts/electronic-cigarettes-e-cigarettes>

FDA Regulation of E-Cigarettes

Be Aware! Per the new Deeming Rule, the FDA has expanded its regulation of tobacco to e-cigarettes/vapor products. These products include Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS), such as, vaporizers, vape pens, hookah pens, [and](#) electronic cigarettes (E-Cigarettes). These products use liquid containing nicotine, as well as varying compositions of flavorings, propylene glycol, glycerin, and other ingredients. The liquid is heated into an aerosol that the user inhales. [Under this rule, all ENDS are illegal to sell to minors 18 years old and younger.](#) [For more information about the new rule and requirements to retailers, check the FDA websites located on the internet at <http://www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/Labeling/ProductsIngredientsComponents/ucm456610.htm> and <http://www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/Labeling/ProductsIngredientsComponents/ucm491662.htm>](#)

To enforce this new regulation, [FDA](#) minor Inspectors are now attempting to purchase these products at retail location across Idaho. The FDA recommends that you ask for a valid ID from purchasers that look younger than 27 years old. Please be diligent in your refusal to sell all FDA regulated tobacco products including e-cigarettes or any vapor products to minors to avoid fines and penalties from the FDA. For more information on the Deeming Rule, visit this website. <http://www.fda.gov/ForConsumers/ConsumerUpdates/ucm506676.htm>



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Select the "Families" tab and then "Substance Abuse"
On that page select the box titled "Idaho Tobacco Project"**

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PLEASE DISTRIBUTE TO EMPLOYEES