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2022 FACTS AND STATS

What was the
Compliance Grade
for last month's state
tobacco inspections?

Grade **A+**
for
October 2022

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 October 2022?

- 256 Permitted Retailers were inspected.*
- 14 Permitted Retailers sold to the inspecting minor.
- The compliance rate for October 2022 was

94.53%

GREAT JOB!

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

Renew Your Permit Today!

Time's Running Out to Renew Your Permit for 2023

All 2022 Idaho Tobacco and Electronic Smoking Device Permits expire on **December 31, 2022**. Selling tobacco products or electronic smoking devices without a valid permit is illegal in Idaho. Renew online today for free at: <http://www.tobaccopermits.com/Idaho/>.

We are here to help!

Call us at **877-641-4468** with any questions about how to obtain a new or renew an existing permit, have trouble validating your email, or trouble printing your permit.

No longer need a permit?

Let us know by completing the "Contact Us" form on the TobaccoPermits.com homepage and request your permit be inactivated and provide one of the following reasons:

- Change of Ownership
- No longer selling tobacco or e-device products
- Retail location is on an Indian Reservation
- Out of Business, or
- Other – Please specify

Permits are NOT Transferable

Idaho Tobacco and Electronic Smoking 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 and/or electronic smoking device retail business, please contact us and let us know about your plans.

Should you plan on purchasing a new or existing business that sells tobacco and/or electronic smoking devices be sure to obtain a **NEW** permit. Getting a permit is **FREE** and it's the LAW! A permit to sell tobacco and/or electronic smoking devices can be obtained online (www.tobaccopermits.com/Idaho) or by phone **877-641-4468**.

Idaho Youth Out of School on Holiday Breaks...Be Ready!

It's the holiday season and school will be out for weeks at a time. Clerks may see more customers under the age of 21 in the store than normal. They may also observe an increase in these young customers attempting to purchase tobacco and electronic smoking devices. Its time to be on alert.

Now is a good the time to ensure your employees (**especially any temporary holiday staff**) are trained on how to check IDs properly. Below are a few reminders to share with them.

1. Always ID anyone who looks under the age of **30**.
2. Look at the **“Under 21 Until”** date on the license. If that date is in the future, even by one day, they cannot purchase tobacco products or electronic smoking devices!
3. Selling tobacco products and/or electronic smoking devices to a customer under 21 can result in a personal fine of **\$100 to the clerk** and possible fines for the retailer.
4. Tobacco and electronic smoking devices must be locked up or out of reach of all customers unless your retail location is exempt of this requirement under [Idaho Code 39-5706\(3\)](#).
5. Compliance inspections can occur anytime without prior notice by both state and federal inspection teams.
6. All components or accessories of a tobacco product or an electronic smoking device (whether or not they contain tobacco or nicotine), are considered regulated “products” and minors cannot purchase them. Review [Idaho Code 39-5701 \(13\)](#) for a complete list of tobacco and electronic smoking device “components”:

Examples of “components” and/or “accessories” include:

- Filters or rolling papers
- Blunt or hemp wraps
- Pipes
- Electronic cigars, hookah, or vape pens



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



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