



Illinois Liquor Control Commission

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Liquor Control Commission Monthly Underage Compliance Report

SPRINGFIELD – In **July and August 2009**, the Illinois Liquor Control Commission (ILCC) conducted compliance checks around the state and visited 92 businesses licensed to sell liquor. They cited 22 licensees for violations of liquor control laws. Seventy-six percent of the licensees visited complied with Illinois liquor laws and refused to serve underage customers.

This report is a result of ongoing undercover and cooperative law enforcement operations conducted by Illinois Liquor Control Commission (ILCC) agents and local law enforcement officials and volunteers from high schools and colleges. The teams randomly visit liquor stores, restaurants and bars in communities around the state to check for ongoing compliance with state laws mandating that no liquor is sold to minors under the age of 21. ILCC agents also work with local and state law enforcement agents to focus on communities with a high incidence of underage liquor sales. The Commission issues monthly reports, listing, in alphabetical order, all regions targeted for compliance checks and all locations cited for violations.

Alexander County: On August 28, as part of an undercover operation conducted by agents of the Illinois Liquor Control Commission and the Illinois State Police, 20 businesses in Alexander, Pulaski and Massac Counties. During the operation, six establishments sold alcohol to underage minors, including:

- Spirit House, 2401 Sycamore Street, Cairo
- Cut Mart #4, 3811 Sycamore Street Cairo
- Metro Speedy Mart, 1201 Coburn Street, Metropolis
- Casey's General Store #1926, 512 W. 10th Street Metropolis
- Charlies' Party Hut, 500 W. 10th Street Metropolis,
- The Junction, 1532 E. 5th Street Metropolis

Effingham County: On August 12, as part of an undercover operation conducted by agents of the Illinois Liquor Control Commission and the Illinois State Police, 20 businesses in Effingham, Jasper and Crawford Counties During the operation, six establishments sold alcohol to underage minors, including:

- Don Nola, 117 N. Cross, Robinson
- Liquor Rack, 1707 W. Main, Robinson
- The Corner Place, 208 N. Cross, Robinson
- The Gas Station, 302 N. Main, Sainte Marie

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- Hi Bender, 103 S. Main, Sainte Marie
- Ichabod's Club Cardinale, 1714 S. Banker, Effingham

Randolph County: On August 28, Illinois Liquor Control Commission agents worked with Illinois State Police to conduct an Under Age Compliance Detail in Randolph County. Of the 21 Places actually tested, five sold to our underage volunteers. They are:

- Fleetwoods General Stores, Inc. 302 E. Pine Street, Percy
- Dizzie's Fan-Tastic Sports Bar & Grill 5635 State Route 4, Steeleville
- Casey's General Store # 2396 118 West Broadway, Steeleville
- My Dad's Place 11875 Hwy 154, Sparta
- Casey's General Store # 2321 710 West Broadway, Sparta

St. Clair County: On July 29, as part of an undercover operation conducted by agents of the Illinois Liquor Control Commission and the Illinois State Police, 16 businesses were visited on Wednesday, August 12th, 2009 after they allegedly sold alcohol to minors. During the operation, 2 establishments checked sold alcohol to underage minors, including:

- Flying J Travel Plaza, 140 Racehorse Dr., Alorton
- Quality Food Mart, 1032 Bond Ave, East St. Louis

Whiteside County: As part of an undercover operation conducted by agents of the Illinois Liquor Control Commission and the Whiteside County Sheriff's Department, 15 businesses were visited on Wednesday, August 12th, 2009 after they allegedly sold alcohol to minors. During the operation, 3 of the 15 establishments checked sold alcohol to underage minors, including:

- Bears Showtown USA, 102 E. Commercial St., Lyndon
- Casey's General Store #1726, 2510 W. 4th St., Sterling
- Peterson's Bullseye Bar & Grill 103 W. 3rd St., Sterling

A Violation of the Happy Hour Law was observed at a separate location and an investigation will be conducted in the immediate future. No citations have yet been issued to the business. The location is:

- K's Korner Trading Post, 13030 Galt Rd., Sterling

For information about the disposition of cases resulting from previous compliance checks, please visit [the Illinois Liquor Control Commission's website](#).