

## **ILLINOIS LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION**

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## **Illinois Liquor Control Commission Underage Compliance January Report**

SPRINGFIELD - In January, the Illinois Liquor Control Commission (ILCC) conducted compliance checks around the state and visited 52 businesses licensed to sell liquor. They cited 9 for violations of liquor control laws.

This is a monthly aggregated report of all the underage compliance investigations conducted in the month of January. The ILCC may release results on individual investigations through shorter press releases throughout the month.

The monthly aggregated report lists all the results of ongoing undercover and cooperative law enforcement operations conducted by Illinois Liquor Control Commission (ILCC) agents, 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.

Below is the bulleted list by location of which establishments violated the law by selling alcohol to ILCC underage participants. Because the visits are random in nature, certain areas of the State are visited at certain times of the year.

Marengo – January 4th, the ILCC and the Marengo Police Department conducted underage alcohol checks. Of the 20 licensees checked, 3 sold alcohol to ILCC underage participants. Those licensees were:

- JOE'S PLACE, 19716 E GRANT HWY, MARENGO, IL 60152-9493
- FAS FUEL, 1075 E GRANT HWY, MARENGO, IL 60152-3482
- CASA MADERA, 228 S STATE ST, MARENGO, IL 60152-2230

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**Barrington** – January 8<sup>th</sup>, the ILCC and the Barrington Police Department conducted underage alcohol checks. Of the 13 licensees checked, 1 sold alcohol to ILCC underage participants. That licensee was:

SERGIO'S PIZZA, 207 W NORTHWEST HWY, BARRINGTON, IL 60010-3172

**Normal**— January 19<sup>th</sup>, the ILCC and the Normal Police Department conducted underage alcohol checks. Of the 19 licensees checked, 5 sold alcohol to ILCC underage participants. Those licensees were:

- QIK N EZ CONVENIENCE STORES, 1609 N MAIN ST, NORMAL, IL 61761-1113
- CVS PHARMACY #8043, 100 S FELL AVE, NORMAL, IL 61761-6629
- HACIENDA LEON, 1 UPTOWN CIR, NORMAL, IL 61761-8703
- FIALA BROTHERS BREWERY & BEER HALL, 127 E BEAUFORT ST, NORMAL, IL 61761-3026707
- LIQUORS & MART #3, 108 N LINDEN ST, NORMAL, IL 61761-2630

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For information about hearings regarding checks, please visit the Illinois Liquor Control Commission's website: https://ilcc.illinois.gov/events.html

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