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Illinois Liquor Control Commission Underage Compliance January Report

SPRINGFIELD – In January 2026, the Illinois Liquor Control Commission (ILCC) conducted alcohol age compliance checks around the state and visited 94 businesses licensed to sell alcoholic beverages. 20 licensees were cited for selling alcoholic beverages to persons under the age of 21.

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) Special Agents and Investigators, 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 Special Agents and Investigators also work with local and state law enforcement agents to focus on communities with a high incidence of underage liquor sales.

Below is a list of details conducted this month which include those establishments that 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.

Marion County – January 14, the ILCC and the Illinois State Police conducted underage compliance checks. Of the 21 licensees checked, 5 sold alcoholic beverages to persons under the age of 21. Those licensees were:

- THE SPIRIT SHOPPE/ BULLET'S PUB, 1242 S BROADWAY AVE, SALEM, IL 62881-2405
- ABC PUB, 118 S BROADWAY AVE, SALEM, IL 62881-1610
- JOE'S PIZZA OF SALEM, INC, 402 E MAIN ST, SALEM, IL 62881-2929
- LUCY'S PLACE, 1419A W MAIN ST, SALEM, IL 62881-3803
- CLAIRE'S CAFE LLC, 101 N MISSOURI AVE, SALEM, IL 62881-3825

Madison County – January 21, the ILCC and the Illinois State Police conducted underage compliance checks. Of the 18 licensees checked, 4 sold alcoholic beverages to persons under the age of 21. Those licensees were:

- 7-ELEVEN #20278D, 1151 NIEDRINGHAUS AVE, GRANITE CITY, IL 62040-3338
- PATRICK'S BAR & GRILL, 2900 NAMEOKI RD, GRANITE CITY, IL 62040-4929
- CURLY'S CORNER MARKET, 5527 MARYVILLE RD, GRANITE CITY, IL 62040-2615
- GRANITE FILL & GO LLC, 1525 NIEDRINGHAUS AVE, GRANITE CITY, IL 62040-5438

Kane County and McHenry County – January 26, the ILCC and the Algonquin Police Department conducted underage compliance checks. Of the 18 licensees checked, 2 sold alcoholic beverages to persons under the age of 21. Those licensees were:

- TWIN PEAKS ALGONQUIN, 1520 S RANDALL RD, ALGONQUIN, IL 60102-5920
- X-GOLF ALGONQUIN, 1704 S RANDALL RD, ALGONQUIN, IL 60102-5924

DeWitt County – January 28, the ILCC and the Clinton Police Department conducted underage compliance checks. Of the 12 licensees checked, 3 sold alcoholic beverages to persons under the age of 21. Those licensees were:

- CLINTON PANTRY, 100 N GRANT ST, CLINTON, IL 61727-1600
- CAMINO REAL, 48 CLINTON PLZ, CLINTON, IL 61727-2100
- SNAPPERS, 304 S SIDE SQ, CLINTON, IL 61727-0000

Sangamon County – January 29, the ILCC and the Springfield Police Department and the Pawnee Police Department conducted underage compliance checks. Of the 24 licensees checked, 6 sold alcoholic beverages to persons under the age of 21. Those licensees were:

- LOS RANCHEROS OF SPRINGFIELD, 3458 FREEDOM DR, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62704-6516
- JIFFI STOP #578, 1801 WABASH AVE, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62704-5303
- ALWAYS AFTER FIVE, 2741 S 6TH ST, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62703-4071
- LA PIAZZA CUCINA ITALIANA, 216-218-220 S 6TH ST, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62701-0000
- MAIN GATE BAR & GRILL, 2143 N 11TH ST, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702-1822
- SKY LOUNGE, 3254 W ILES AVE, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62711-9680

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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>