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ILLINOIS LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

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Dear Illinois Liquor Control Commission (ILCC) Licensee:

Please be advised that effective November 19, 2025, the Illinois Office of the Secretary of State (ILSOS) will begin offering Mobile Identification Cards, "Mobile IDs," which will allow Illinois driver's license and state identification card holders to present their Illinois driver's licenses and state identification cards digitally via the digital wallet incorporated into the Apple iPhone or Apple Watch.

Under Illinois law, a Mobile ID is an acceptable form of identification which can be used by an individual to prove that they are twenty-one (21) years of age or older, similar to the use of a physical driver's license or identification card.

Please note that a customer cannot simply "show" their Mobile ID to a server or clerk. Businesses are required to verify the validity of the Mobile ID before accepting it as proof of age. The easiest way to complete this verification is by using the ILSOS Mobile ID Check App, available for iPhone users through the Apple App Store. This app is provided at no cost to ILCC licensees.

Licensed establishments may also use an ISO 18013-5 compliant reader, though obtaining such equipment may involve additional costs. Verification by any other method does not satisfy the business' obligation to confirm age prior to an alcohol sale.

For convenience, the Mobile ID Check App can be downloaded directly from the App Store. A list of vendors offering ISO 18013-5 readers is provided below.

While the ILCC does not endorse nor recommend any particular company, product or service referenced herein, the following vendors are among those known to offer ISO 18013-5 reader solutions: Desko, Acuant Store (IDology), MyNextID, Adaptive Recognition, CredenceID, MATTR Global, Veridos, Incode, IDScan.net, E-Seek Inc., and Socket Mobile.

Additional guidance and training materials on the ILSOS Mobile ID Check App will be distributed at a later date. For questions or further information, please contact the Illinois Secretary of State at MobileIDCheck@ilsos.gov. Licensees are responsible for ensuring full compliance with the approved verification procedures.

Respectfully

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