



# Illinois Liquor Control Commission

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## **Liquor Control Commission March/April Underage Compliance Report**

SPRINGFIELD – In **March and April** the Illinois Liquor Control Commission (ILCC) conducted compliance checks around the state and visited 155 businesses licensed to sell liquor. They cited 29 licensees for violations of liquor control laws. Eighty-one 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.

**Cass and Sangamon Counties** – On April 7, 2011, an ILCC Special Agent assisted by ISP District #9 conducted an Underage Compliance Check at 10 locations in Cass & Sangamon Counties. Five of the targeted businesses failed. The licensees that failed were:

- Wal-Mart Store # 1451, 100 Lincoln Avenue, Beardstown
- River Look Tavern, 120 N. State St., Beardstown
- Billares La Esperanze, 200 Washington, Beardstown
- Andrew's Mart 1705 Grand, Beardstown
- Catch 22 11 W. Old State Capitol Plaza, Springfield

**Champaign County** – On April 13, 2011, an ILCC Special Agent assisted by Champaign County Deputies conducted an Underage Compliance Check at 21 locations in Champaign County. One of the targeted businesses failed. The licensee that failed was:

- Rantoul Pizza Pub, 114 E. Congress, Rantoul

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**Evanston** – On Monday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011, IDOR/LCC Special Agents and the Evanston Police Dept. conducted a joint UAC Detail in Cook County. Of the 20 businesses checked, four sold alcohol to an underage participant. Those licensees are:

- Union Pizzeria, 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston
- Chili's Grill and Bar, 1765 Maple Ave., Evanston
- Merle's Smokehouse, 1727 Benson, Evanston
- Bar 17, 1709 Benson, Evanston

**Hamilton and White Counties** – On April 21, 2011, an ILCC Special Agent assisted by ISP District # 19 conducted an Underage Compliance Check at 17 locations in Hamilton and White Counties. Three of the targeted businesses failed. The licensees that failed were:

- Season's Grill 2068 County Rd. 2450 N., Grayville
- Windsor Oak 2200 S. Court St., Grayville
- East Side Package Liquor Mart, 1000 East Main Street, Carmi

**Jackson, Perry and Randolph Counties** – On April 28, 2011, an ILCC Special Agent assisted by ISP District # 13 conducted an Underage Compliance Check at 22 locations in Jackson, Perry and Randolph Counties. Five targeted businesses failed. The licensees that failed were:

- Korner Tavern, 102 W. Main Street, Ava
- Gabby's, 214 W. Main Street, Ava
- Fleetwoods General Store, 11005 Hwy 4, Ava
- Steeleville Liquor, 501 N. Sparta St., Steeleville
- Tequila Of Sparta, 1331 Sparta Center Dr., Sparta

**Marion County** – On April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Special Agents from the ILCC and Illinois State Police District 12 conducted alcohol underage compliance checks in Marion County. Of the 18 licensees checked two licensees sold alcohol to ILCC underage participants. Those licensees were:

- Broadway Tavern, 123 N. Broadway, Centralia
- Blue Goose Liquors, 363 E. 17<sup>th</sup>, Centralia

**McHenry County** – On Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011, IDOR/LCC Special Agents and the ISP District 2 conducted a joint UAC Detail in McHenry County. Of the 15 businesses checked one sold alcohol to an underage participant. The licensee is:

- Buffalo Wings and Rings, 1520 Carlemont Dr., Crystal Lake

**Rock Island** – On April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Special Agents from the ILCC and the Rock Island Police Department conducted alcohol underage compliance checks in Rockford. Of the 18 licensees checked four sold alcohol to ILCC underage participants. Those licensees were:

- Hy-Vee Food Store, 2930 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Rock Island
- Quad City Liquor, 2317 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Rock Island
- Rudy's Taco's, 2716 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Rock Island
- Del's in the District, 1829 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Rock Island

**St. Clair County** – On April 21, 2011, an ILCC Special Agent assisted by ISP District #11 conducted an Underage Compliance Check at 14 locations in St. Clair County. Four of the targeted businesses failed. The licensees that failed were:

- Green Mill Service & Convenience, 105 N. State, Freeburg
- Burgard's Tavern, 1 West High St., Freeburg
- Richard Rays Sports Bar & Grill, 10 E. Lyons, Marissa
- Marissa Gas N More, 430 N Main, Marissa

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