



CARD HARD!

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GUIDE TO CHECKING ID'S

Information to produce fake ID's is easily accessible via the internet and other sources. The technology used is sophisticated enough to make them look real. To prevent underage sales of alcoholic beverages, it is imperative that employees in the hospitality industry are properly trained to check ID's.

PROPER ID CHECKING TECHNIQUES

- Politely greet the person.
- Ask them to remove the ID from their wallet.
- Take a good look at the person and see if the picture matches the presenter.
- Make sure the physical descriptions (hair color, eye color, height and weight) fit the person in front of you.
- Carefully check all the information on the card.
- Check the expiration date and accept only valid ID's.
- Check for any tampering, if the surface of the card is not smooth, there may have been some tampering.
- If in doubt, ask for another form of ID. Hold both forms of ID side by side. Compare photos, information, physical description and signatures.

WHAT TO CHECK FOR

- Name, photograph, physical description, date of birth, expiration date on the card and signature.
- Check if the word "duplicate" is on the card. The original may be in use by someone else.

QUIZ THE CARDHOLDER

- Ask about basic information (address, date of birth, social security number).
- What year did you graduate high school?
- What county do you live in?
- How do you spell your last name?

LEGAL AGE VS. UNDERAGE ID'S

LEGAL AGE

Blue Highlight on State Seal

Blue Box above Photo

Birthdate in Black

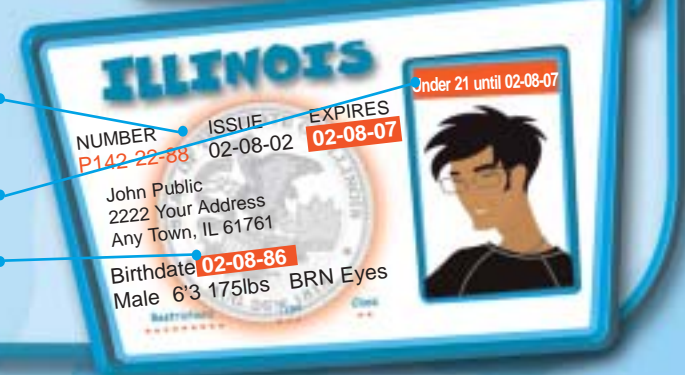


UNDERAGE

Red Highlight on State Seal

Red Box above Photo

Birthdate in Red Box



LAWS REGARDING USE OF FAKE ID'S

POSSESSION OR USE OF A FAKE DRIVER'S LICENSE OR STATE ID

PENALTY: automatic 1-year suspension of your driver's license, a minimum fine of \$500 and up to one year in jail.

DISPLAYING ANOTHER PERSON'S DRIVER'S LICENSE OR STATE ID AS YOUR OWN OR LENDING YOURS TO ANOTHER PERSON

PENALTY: automatic 1-year driver's license suspension for both parties plus a minimum \$500 fine and up to one year in jail.

ALTERING OR MANUFACTURING A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR STATE ID

PENALTY: automatic 1-year driver's license suspension plus Class 4 Felony charges of 1-3 years in prison and up to \$25,000 in fines.

