

News Release

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Oregon Police Department Announces Compliance Checks

The Village of Oregon Police Department will be using alcohol compliance checks to enforce liquor sales laws in the Village of Oregon. We believe that helping area businesses curtail law violations, such as selling alcohol to underage people, will help us to avoid the problems that come with underage drinking.

Underage young adults will come into businesses during the next few months to try to buy alcohol beverages. Officers will be working with these youths. Businesses and staff caught selling alcohol to underage buyers will be cited through Oregon Municipal Court for Procuring to a Minor. The fine for a first offense violation is \$366.00. Reports on compliance check operations become public information under Wisconsin law, and the outcome of each check can be obtained and published by the news media. The Village of Oregon Police Department will issue a press release after the completion of these compliance checks with the results.

Selling alcohol is a legitimate business that plays a valid role in our community, but such a business is a privilege to which very serious and specific responsibilities apply. We pride ourselves in being a friendly and proactive department, and we simply ask that area businesses fulfill their responsibilities in regard to alcohol sales. This request for cooperation is a necessary effort by our community to reduce the availability of alcohol to our youth.