

DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT



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DEKALB POLICE & IL LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION TEAM UP FOR ALCOHOL COMPLIANCE CHECKS AT LOCAL RETAILERS

Nine more establishments cited for selling to minors

For the second time in seven days, an undercover compliance check to ensure local liquor licensees are not selling to minors was carried out when the DeKalb Police Department and agents from the IL Liquor Control Commission teamed up, announced DeKalb Police Department Commander Chad McNett.

This 2nd undercover check that covered 16 liquor establishments took place on the evening of September 4th, 2024. Compliance teams included DeKalb Police Officers, IL Liquor Commission Agents, and underage teenagers. During compliance checks teams visit package stores, bars and restaurants, and gaming establishments that hold liquor licenses. The goal of the compliance check program is to prevent underage drinking and encourage liquor licensees to comply with state and local laws.

While seven licensees were found to be in compliance, nine establishments were cited for selling alcohol to a minor. The offending employees were each cited and given a violation notice to appear before the City Administrative Hearing Officer at a future date.

The list of businesses checked follows.

Businesses who passed the compliance check:

- Buffalo Wild Wings - 2466 Sycamore Road
- The Grove - 204 N. 4th Street
- Twin's Liquor Store - 1016 S. 4th Street
- DeKalb Liquor - 444 E. Lincoln Highway
- Tapa La Luna - 226 E. Lincoln Highway
- Lord Stanley's - 142 E. Lincoln Highway
- Pizza Pros - 1205 W. Lincoln Highway

Businesses who failed the compliance check:

- Chili's Bar and Grill – 2370 Sycamore Road
- Los Rancheros – 2450 Sycamore Road
- Zana's Woodfired Pizza – 1406 Sycamore Road
- DeKalb Liquor Mart – 1352 E. Dresser Road
- Rosita's – 642 E. Lincoln Highway

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- The Flame – 209 E. Lincoln Highway
- American Liquors – 159 W. Lincoln Highway
- Thirsty Liquors – 1039 W. Hillcrest Drive
- Huskie Discount Liquors – 1030 Arcadia Drive

"We will continue these compliance checks regularly to remind both licensees and our community how serious we are about strict enforcement," said Commander McNett. "To have nine out of sixteen businesses fail this most recent compliance check is disappointing. There is still work to do in the world of prevention around minors' access to alcohol. The seven licensees who passed this compliance check demonstrated that carding those who try to purchase alcohol in DeKalb is a top priority. We commend them for upholding the law and putting the safety of our youth first."

The DeKalb Police Department's compliance program is part of our ongoing effort to regularly enforce liquor laws in DeKalb. For more information, please contact Commander McNett at 815-748-8400.

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