How to Read an Oregon ID

Oregon sales clerks must check all persons under the age of 27 for valid ID before selling them tobacco products. There are no tobacco-specific forms of picture ID, but the following IDs are acceptable as proof of age:

- Passport;
- Driver license with picture from Oregon or another state;
- Identification card with picture from Oregon or another state; and
- Any other ID card issued by a state or federal government agency.

The ID must contain the person's:

- ☑ Photo
- ☑ Name
- ☑ Address
- ☑ Date of birth
- ☑ Physical description
- ☑ Signature

How to check under 18 ID

This date refers to the date the individual will turn 18. The customer needs to be 18 or older to purchase tobacco or vaping products. The red border feature is only on Oregon licenses and ID cards of those under 21.

Most customers carry an Oregon Driver License or an Oregon Identification Card. The Oregon Driver and Motor Vehicles (DMV) Service Branch issues both cards, which look almost the same.

Do not rush or allow yourself to be pressured when checking a customer's ID. You need to carefully check in order to obey the law.

You can quickly check an Oregon Driver License or Oregon ID by looking at the information within the red border.

Would you like more information about the laws against selling tobacco and vaping products to minors? EMAIL: Tobacco.Inspections@state.or.us

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