

Tip Sheet For Employees

CHECK the I.D.

UNDER 18
DON'T SELL TOBACCO

Selling tobacco products to anyone under the age of 18 is against the law.

- Cigarettes, cigars, smokeless tobacco and loose pipe tobacco cannot be sold to anyone under the age 18.
- Always ask for an acceptable form of I.D. from a customer whose age is in question.
- Acceptable forms of I.D. are a driver's license, a government-issued I.D. card and a passport.
- The store's I.D. scanner can be used to validate if a customer is 18 years of age.
- Tell your customers that Connecticut law prohibits the sale of tobacco products to anyone under the age of 18.
- Say to your customer.....
 - “Sorry, I can't sell to you”
 - “It's the law”
 - “I can be fined”
- If you have an angry customer keep your cool, remain firm and call for support from your manager.



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