

**Chapter 314-31 WAC
COMPLIANCE CHECKS**

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314-31-005 Liquor compliance checks.
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WAC 314-31-005 Liquor compliance checks. (1) The Washington state liquor and cannabis board authorizes enforcement officers and investigative aides working with enforcement officers to conduct liquor compliance checks at any location where alcohol is sold, served or provided.

(2) Investigative aides working at the direction of enforcement officers during a liquor compliance check are considered agents of the Washington state liquor and cannabis board.

(3) Violations involving a licensee, its employee, or a member of the public that result from a liquor compliance check are subject to criminal arrest and/or administrative action by the liquor and cannabis board.

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WAC 314-31-015 What are the guidelines for liquor compliance checks? Enforcement officers conducting liquor compliance checks must comply with the following conditions:

(1) An investigative aide must:

(a) Be at least eighteen years of age and under twenty-one years of age;

(b) Transfer any physical evidence to the enforcement officer(s) at the conclusion of each compliance check during which alcohol is acquired; and

(c) Complete a written statement on a form provided by the enforcement officer(s) at the conclusion of each compliance check during which alcohol is acquired.

(2) During a compliance check, an investigative aide may not:

(a) Be directly related to the enforcement officer(s) conducting the compliance check; or

(b) Possess any funds other than the funds provided by the agency for the compliance check.

(3) An enforcement officer shall photograph the investigative aide prior to conducting a compliance check. At least one photograph shall be taken of the investigative aide's face and at least one photograph shall be taken of the investigative aide from head to toe.

(4) An investigative aide is not required to possess identification during a compliance check, provided that if identification is possessed during the compliance check, the identification must be the investigative aide's lawfully issued identification.

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