

## LICENSING, REGULATION AND ALCOHOL STRATEGY

### False Identification Checklist

Here are some handy hints to assist you in detecting false IDs.

- Examine ID in well-lit areas to enable alterations to be more easily spotted.
- Remove the ID from any holder and take your time examining it to ensure it is genuine.
- Check for pin holes on the surface as bleach may have been inserted to remove certain aspects of the date.
- Check the back. While the front may appear flawless, the reverse may have blurred lettering indicating that the card is not authentic.
- Feel around the photo, birth date and edges of the card, especially with cards enclosed in plastic. Wrinkles, bumps and air bubbles could mean that it has been tampered with e.g. by altering the year of birth, and replacing the photo.
- Compare the photo with the patron presenting the ID – do they match? Pay particular attention to the distinguishing facial features.
- Calculate that the patron is over 18 years of age. Many licences can be issued to younger drivers.
- Check if holograms and other security features are there. Ultraviolet lights (blue lights) can help when checking ID with security holograms, which are not visible at night or in low light conditions.

If you suspect that the ID is false, ask some simple questions such as:

Q. "What month were you born?"

Q. "What is your middle initial?"

Q. "What is your postcode?"

Q. "What star sign are you?"

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Make sure you know the answers to these questions before you ask. If are not absolutely convinced that the card is genuine – do not serve the customer.

Star sign quick reference chart:

<b>CAPRICORN</b> Dec 23 – Jan 20	<b>TAURUS</b> April 21 – May 21	<b>VIRGO</b> Aug 24 – Sept 23
<b>AQUARIUS</b> Jan 21 – Feb 19	<b>GEMINI</b> May 22 – June 21	<b>LIBRA</b> Sept 24 – Oct 23
<b>PISCES</b> Feb 19 – Mar 20	<b>CANCER</b> June 22 – July 23	<b>SCORPIO</b> Oct 24 – Nov 22
<b>ARIES</b> March 21 – April 20	<b>LEO</b> July 24 – Aug 23	<b>SAGITTARIUS</b> Nov 23 – Dec 22

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