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Tobacco-Vape Compliance Checks 2024

On 1/23/2024, the Wallingford Police Department's Community Impact Unit, working with the State of Connecticut, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) Tobacco Prevention and Enforcement Program (TPEP) conducted unannounced compliance inspections of establishments that sell tobacco products and/or electronic cigarettes. The Inspections were performed to determine compliance with state laws concerning the prohibition of the sale of e-cigarettes and/or tobacco products to youth under the age of **21**.

Retailers are required by state law to inspect the photo ID of anyone who appears under the age of 30 before selling tobacco products or electronic cigarettes. Free online training is available to anyone who would like to learn more at cttobaccotraining.com

Twenty-six (26) unannounced compliance inspections were conducted. Of this total, Three (3) establishments were found non-compliant with **Connecticut General Statutes Section 53-344** (Sale of Tobacco to a person under 21) or **Section 53-344b** (Sale of an e-cigarette to a person under 21). The offending clerks at these establishments were issued a first-time infraction for \$300.

The Connecticut Department of Revenue Services (DRS) licenses tobacco retailers. Non-compliant/compliant inspection results are referred to the DRS for possible administration action.



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The following retailers were found to be **non-compliant**.

- **Shell Food Mart, 1059 North Colony Road**
- **Smokers Land, 362 Main Street**
- **Shell (Henny Penny), 77 North Turnpike Road**

The Following Businesses were **in compliance** during the checks.

- Teddy's Store 398 Center Street
- Checkers, 99 North Colony Road
- Sunoco, 315 North Colony Road
- Valero Fast Mart, 720 North Colony Road
- Cumberland Farms 906 North Colony Road
- Allen vape & smoke shop, 970 North Colony Road
- Tobacco World 994 North Colony Road
- Citgo/ Sam's Food Stores, 1001 North Colony Road
- Smok Rules, 200 Church Street
- Sunoco Teddy's store, 440 Main Street
- Citgo, 570 Center Street
- Mobil, 2 River Road
- Wallingford food & fuel (Delta), 250 South Colony Road
- Corner Shoppe, 325 Main Street
- Citgo, 305 Main Street



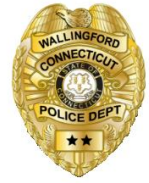
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- Valero/1 Stop Wings, 68 North Turnpike Road
 - Global, 119 North Turnpike Road
 - Smokers Market, 824 East Center Street
 - Wallingford Tobacco, 898 North Colony
 - Puff City, 722 North Colony Road
 - Teddy's Stores (Gulf), 1195 North Colony Road
 - Citgo Food Mart, 326 South Colony Road
 - Nisa's Variety Store, 824 East Center Street

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