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SECURING YOUR BUSINESS AGAINST USE OF FAKE IDs

Kids don't think twice these days about getting fake IDs in order to quench their thirst for alcohol. Estimates say that on an average, each bar confiscates anywhere from 3 to 5 fake IDs a day through out the country. This should give you an idea as to how rampant the use of fake ID is. These are figures for those caught with fake IDs and no one knows how many are out there, that haven't been seized yet.

If you are caught by law enforcement agents, providing alcohol to under-age teens, you will be facing stiff penalties even if you had tried your best to figure out the genuineness of the IDs. In such cases It becomes imperative to secure your business against illegal use of fake IDs which can even have you arrested along with the offender if you fail to detect them.

You might be tempted to allow under-age drinkers into your establishment for the business that you will be getting but beware, law enforcement agents in plain clothes are everywhere and you will be in a lot of trouble if they caught on your premises. You will have to prove to the police that the ID looked genuine enough for you to have allowed them inside and for this to happen, the police should find the fake IDs genuine themselves.

Another compounding problem is that once you let a minor in, he or she is sure to spread the word about your establishment allowing minors in and soon you will have a hoard of young under-age drinkers flocking at your place which can put you into major trouble. If you are caught, some of the consequences maybe shutting down of your business for a few days or even months, apart from penalties and fines. You may even lose your liquor license if the offense seems grave enough. This will almost surely drive you to bankruptcy.

As such, you should to your best possible extent, check for fake IDs and filter out your customers. Look out for people who look young and especially for those who are a little nervous. The girls on the on other hand will seem chatty and will try talk their way in so do not get distracted. The hologram on the ID needs to perfectly flat and any sort of raise or perforations in them is a give-away that the ID is fake. Check for the quality of the lamination and for any weird looking scrapings on the edge of the card which may reveal that the ID card was 'manufactured' by amateurs. Check for official signatures, state logos and the colors of the same. Most fake IDs cannot completely match genuine ones due to the fact that the quality of the genuine cards is usually better. You should also check for the physical description of the person holding the card as many teenagers use original IDs but those that belong to someone else who resemble them but have attained the legal age.

Do not hesitate if the ID seems phony. Ask the holder for the details on the card and as long as they perfectly match, do not stop the interrogation. After all, it's the question of the survival of your business and you do not want to jeopardize your income due to a few under-age drinkers.