



If You're Not 21, Don't Go On the Beer Run!

Be aware of undercover liquor control agents who lurk at carry-outs and liquor stores or wait in cars outside or across the street. They may look like other students – male and female -- but they are looking for people committing alcohol violations.

If you are under the age of 21, you cannot possess, consume **OR share in the cost of alcohol**. Undercover liquor control will cite you if they have reason to believe you have committed any of these offenses. The best choice is simple, just don't go on the beer run. If you do and you are approached by liquor control, don't answer any questions other than your name and address.

- 1 DON'T PASS THE MONEY BETWEEN EACH OTHER IN PUBLIC**, especially in front of a carry-out or liquor store and especially before one of you goes inside to purchase alcohol and others wait outside the building or in the car.
- 2 DON'T TAKE ALCOHOL FROM SOMEONE AFTER THEY LEAVE THE CARRY-OUT.** Underage possession of alcohol is illegal. If undercover liquor agents see this happen, they will follow you.
- 3 IF YOU HAVE BEEN STOPPED BY LIQUOR CONTROL, YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN SILENT!** They may stop you, separate you from each other and threaten to take you to jail unless you admit that one of you bought alcohol for underage friends, but you can't catch a fish unless it opens its mouth. Being **charged** with a crime does not mean you will be **convicted**.
- 4 DON'T LIE, BUT NO ONE SHOULD ADMIT ANYTHING.** Give the officer your name, address and some form of identification. You don't have to give them any identification that shows your age. Anything you say **WILL** be used against you. You do not have to answer questions without an attorney present.

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