

Agency Responsibility

Each team should be comprised of at least two officers and two volunteers. Officers assigned to the project should have at least completed the “Basic 2M2L Training”. One officer that has completed the “Advanced 2M2L Training” should be assigned to each of the teams as well as a trained supervisor.

Volunteers

Volunteers selected to participate will be classified as either under 21 or under 18. A parent and or guardian shall accompany volunteers under the age of 18 to the initial screening and training session to be conducted by the agency 2M2L team. Both parent and volunteer must sign a waiver of liability before allowed to participate in the program. All under 21 volunteers must also go through the same training and sign a waiver of liability before being allowed to participate.

After the volunteer training is completed the project officers will accompany the volunteers to a location in the county and ask various patrons to guess the age of the volunteer. At least ten to fifteen patrons should ask the age of each of the volunteers. The age guessed of each volunteer shall be documented on the form provided.

Underage Volunteer Responsibilities:

- Volunteers carry ID and present it when asked
- The volunteers should be instructed to be truthful in encounters with clerks
- During the debriefing the volunteer will fill out the **Youth Alcohol Purchase Report** for each purchase attempt.

Compliance Checks

In this program, carefully selected and trained under 21 youths enter retail stores, bars, or restaurants and determine if they can buy alcohol without presenting an identification card. If a licensed establishment allows the minor to purchase without an ID or after they acknowledge being under 21, the officer observing the transaction charges the establishment.

Procedures for conducting compliance checks:

- Park vehicles so as not to tip off the clerk
- The volunteer should enter the store and quickly locate the alcohol display
- If the alcohol can only be obtained through the store employee, the volunteer should request the alcohol by brand name
- Payment should be made with departmental funds of which serial numbers should be recorded in advance. The denomination of the bills should be small bills of \$10.00 dollars or less. If \$20.00 bills are used some clerks may drop the bill into the safe before giving the change back to the volunteer. Upon completion of the transaction the officer is to identify

himself as an officer of the agency and advise the clerk that he or she just made a sale of an alcoholic beverage to an under 21 person.

- The purchase should be made with an officer in the store observing, the volunteer is to leave the store immediately and make contact with the back-up officer to be debriefed. The supervisor should immediately enter the store and make contact with the officer receiving information from the clerk.
- The officer receiving information from the clerk after the purchase attempt is complete shall provide the clerk with the **2M2L Citation [This is for training only. During a non-training exercise, agencies should issue the appropriate citation and take appropriate action.]**
- The alcohol purchased shall be photographed and returned to the store's inventory. If the alcohol is taken from the store then it is to be placed in the agency's office Property Room.
- In situations where low point beer is purchased, the clerk is to be advised that charges are pending and upon acceptance of charges by the District Attorneys Office, a warrant will be issued for their arrest. The following citation will be utilized unless violation is a felony then the person will be taken into custody at the scene and transported to the Detention Facility and placed in jail.