



## Alcohol & the law

### Proof of age

Young people may be asked to prove their age when buying alcohol or tobacco products, or entering licensed venues.

A minor who uses any false evidence of age document in order to gain entry to, remain in, or obtain alcohol from, licensed premises, is guilty of an offence.

Documents that are accepted in NSW to prove a person's age are a current driver's or rider's licence or permit, a current passport, a NSW Photo Card issued by the NSW Roads and Maritime Services, or a proof of age card issued by the Commonwealth or an interstate authority.

The document must be current and include a photo of the person and date of birth to prove they are over 18. The penalty for using, altering, possessing or lending false identification is a \$220 on-the-spot fine or a maximum court imposed penalty of \$2,200. Using fake ID may also result in having a provisional licence extended for an extra six months.

For more information about the liquor laws and young people refer to the NSW Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing website

