Philadelphia Tobacco Retailers

Are required to comply with all tobacco sales laws by:

- Obtaining a Tobacco Retailer Permit to sell any type of tobacco product or electronic smoking device, renewed annually;
- Posting an age warning sign;
- Not selling loosies (out of package cigarettes or cigars) to any customer;
- Not selling tobacco products or electronic smoking devices to anyone under the age of 18;
- Asking for photo ID and checking to see that the customer is at least 18 years of age.

**HOW TO CHECK AN ID**

Look on the **yellow strip**; if the date is BEFORE today’s date, the person is 18 years or older, and it is OK to sell tobacco products to them.

![ID Card Example](image)

Look on the **yellow strip**; if the date has not yet occurred, the person is NOT 18 years old and it is against the law to sell tobacco products to them.

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