

Current Laws and Legislation on Alcohol and Minors in Connecticut

Summary	PA/Statute	Reason
Possession by minor in public places	Sec. 30-89	\$200 to \$500 fine
Purchase, attempt to purchase or making false statements to procure	Sec. 30-90	\$20 to \$500 fine
Misrepresenting age to purchase	Sec. 30-88a	Up to 30 days prison, and/or fine up to \$50
Misrepresenting age or commits deception to obtain identity card, uses another's card	Sec. 1-1h	Up to 30 days prison, and/or fine up to \$50
Willfully misrepresenting age on an age statement	Sec. 30-86a	\$100 for first offense, \$250 for subsequent offenses
Counterfeits or alter operator's license, or gives or sells counterfeit or altered license	Sec. 14-147	(1) Counterfeits, alters or gives or sells counterfeited or altered: Up to 30 days prison, and/or fine of up to \$200; (2) Lends or sells license: fine of up to \$100 (3) Uses another's license: up to 30 day prison, and/or fine of up to \$100
Permittee or his agent selling or delivering liquor to minor	Secs. 30-86, 53a-26	Unclassified misdemeanor: up to one year in prison, and/or fine of up to \$1,000
Anyone giving or delivering liquor to a minor	Secs.30-86, 53a-25	Unclassified felony: up to 18 months in prison, and/or up to \$1,500
Permittee or employee allowing minor to loiter on premises where liquor is kept for sale, or where liquor is served at a bar	Sec.30-90	Up to one year in prison, and/or fine of up to \$1,000
(1) Prohibits anyone from delivering or giving alcohol to minors through the Internet or any other on-line computer network; (2) Prohibits shipping liquor into the state in a package or carton unless: (a) the carton is clearly marked on the outside with its contents, and (b) delivery is made conditional on obtaining the signature of individual who is at least 21 and legally authorized to receive it	PA 99-237	(1) Violators are subject to fine up to \$1,500, 18 months in prison, or both; (2) Violators are subject to a penalty of up to one year in prison, a fine of up to \$1,000, or both

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Drive-through liquor sales	PA 98-236	Revocation or suspension
If not licensed, must wait 150 days after eligible for license if conviction for above	Sec. 14-111e/PA 97-201	150 day wait for operator's license
Liquor in car of minor driver	Sec. 14-111a	DMV Commissioner can revoke operator's license for up to 60 days after summons issued
Administrative suspension of operator's license for conviction for misusing to obtain, purchase or possessing	PA 96-199	Mandatory 90 day suspension
Administrative suspension of operator's license if BAC is from .02 to less than .10	PA 95-314	90 days administrative suspension
Suspension of operator's license for conviction of possessing fake or altered license; also for misusing a license to obtain liquor	Sec. 14-111f/PA 93-23	Fine up to \$500 and/or imprisoned for up to 18 months. However, there are exemptions: deliveries to a minor by the parent or guardian, or spouse who is 21 years old, if the minor is accompanied by his or her parent, guardian or spouse
Any person in possession of a beer keg without required identification tag	PA 98-236, Sec. 30-115	Fine up to \$500 and/or imprisonment for up to 3 months
Any person who purchases a keg and provides false information on any receipt	PA 98-236, Sec. 30-115	Fine up to \$500 and/or imprisonment for up to 3 months

Administrative Action Against Permittees		
Summary	PA/Statute	Penalty
Permittee arrested but not found guilty in court, case dismissed, or action other than a conviction	Sec. 30-55	Administrative action prohibited
Permittee not charged with a crime or charged with a crime and convicted	Sec. 30-58a	Revocation, suspension and/or fine, offer in lieu of suspension

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