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## Product Placement Toolkit Available

With a growing variety of alcoholic and non-alcoholic products filling shelves at licensed stores around the commonwealth, a July 2023 law strives to ensure consumer safety and avoid confusion by regulating the display of wine and beer and a relatively new category of products known as "crossover products."

Virginia ABC has free resources available to comply with the signage

requirements.

**Product Placement Information** 

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### **Preventing Underage Sales Reminder**

As the calendar has turned to 2024, it is a good time to refresh your knowledge on the resources Virginia ABC provides in helping prevent underage sales. When selling alcohol or nicotine products, it should be staff's top priority to focus on the customer and make sure he or she is not underage.

Be sure to consult Virginia ABC's webpage below for more strategies on determining if a customer might be underage.

Preventing Underage Sales



# **Need RADD Training? Sign Up Today!**

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ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY FOR UNDERAGE SALES AND CONSUMPTION

Whether you are a new licensee or a seasoned establishment professional, we cannot stress enough your important role in the community. The selling and serving of alcoholic beverages is a business that is subject to higher legal and social accountability than almost any other industry. As a licensee, you are responsible for maintaining a safe, regulated business and shoulder many responsibilities, including preventing underage sales and consumption of alcoholic beverages. Virginia ABC has a strict "zero tolerance" policy for underage consumption and looks to you to aggressively avoid these sales. Read more about avoiding underage sales

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