

508 OLCC SATURATION PATROL

MISSION

To promote public safety by ensuring licensed premises are in compliance with the liquor laws of the state by conducting high visibility enforcement which may include partnering with other state and local agencies.

OBJECTIVES

- A. To be more effective and proactive at identifying, enforcing and deterring liquor law violations within licensed premises.
- B. To have a more visible enforcement presence to licensees, industry staff, inter-agency partners and the general public.
- C. For inspectors to conduct compliance checks with safety as a priority by having assistance and support within close proximity.
- D. To ensure public safety at licensed premises by working with other agencies and entities that have safety related concerns at OLCC licensed premises.

SELECTION OF AREA

Any district or area within the State could be selected at any time based on recent activity or other factors deemed appropriate by the regional manager. Inspectors will inform their manager when a specific premises and/or area should not be visited. Potential reasons for exclusion are safety, ongoing law enforcement agency investigations or other extenuating circumstances. The Manager will determine which area will be saturated during the shift.

EXPECTATIONS OF COMPLIANCE CHECKS

- A. Open Contact:
Inspectors will contact employees and patrons in licensed premises to ensure compliance with liquor laws (i.e. service permits, DPSST certification, overservice/VIP's, minors, etc.) and establish a visual presence.
- B. Inter-agency Participation:
As needed, inspectors visit licensed premises with inter-agency partners. The governmental agencies include Police/Sheriff, Parole/Probation, Lottery, Fire Marshall, Health Department, etc. The partners may

participate in saturation compliance checks. The accompanying agency(s) will be selected based on public/inspector safety, availability and known or suspected compliance concerns.

C. Undercover Observations:

Inspectors will spend the amount of time reasonably necessary in a licensed premises to establish whether a violation is occurring.

Undercover team(s) will work in conjunction with an open contact team(s).

REPORTING / DOCUMENTATION

OLCC dispatch will document activity and/or inspector observations on a saturation patrol log. Saturation patrol logs will be maintained in a three-ring binder. A copy of the log will be made available for the District Inspector. The results will be summarized on the Activity Log. **(This could be tracked on the R drive too.)**

Current report formats for inspectors will be utilized for verbal instructions, notice of warnings, notice of violations, and criminal citations.

PROCEDURES

A. Operation involving OLCC Inspectors only:

- Manager or designee coordinates a briefing at the beginning of the shift. All inspectors involved in the operation will attend the briefing.
- Manager identifies specific area to be saturated.
- Manager/Inspectors determine team roles and responsibilities.
- When appropriate, contact local law enforcement agency and inform of operation.

B. Operation involving OLCC and inter-agency partners:

- As early as possible prior to the operation, the inspector for the selected area will contact and coordinate the operation with inter-agency partners.
- Manager or designee will coordinate a briefing at the beginning of the shift to determine roles and responsibilities of all parties involved in the operation.
- Each agency involved will present their objective and role/responsibilities and limitations related to the operation.
- OLCC and other agencies involved will discuss a contingency and exit plan in the case of an emergency. This should address how everyone will safely leave an unsafe premises and ensure that no single person or group is left behind.

C. Logistical considerations:

- The safety of inspectors is paramount. For premises with known safety concerns, open contact will occur only with police assistance unless the manager decides otherwise.
- The District Inspector will compile the list of premises and will distribute it to each team at the briefing. This list will include safety concerns, previous problems, exit routes or floor plan, contact information for everyone involved.
- The District Inspector will provide each team with court/citation information and emergency law enforcement numbers.
- Raid jackets are optional.
- Body armor and other defensive gear will be available as appropriate.
- Notify dispatch before the saturation patrol and all teams should communicate with the dispatcher with the same method (i.e. cell phone, radio or land line).