

Training on the protection of minors in relation to alcohol for gastronomy, retail and festival enterprises selling food and drink.

## Key rules of conduct in brief

- Ensure that the statutory regulations on the protection of minors are clearly visible in your restaurant, shop or at the point of sale of a festival enterprise selling food and drink. Make adolescents aware of these regulations.
- Never sell alcohol to children or to adolescents who have not reached the legally required age.
- If you have doubts about the age of the customer, ask them to produce an official ID document.
- It is better to ask for ID once too often it does no harm to request the ID of a 19- or 20-year-old.
- When you verify the customer's age, you are doing the right thing even if the customer sees things differently to you.
- Address adolescents from the age of 16 as you would an adult so that they feel like you are taking them seriously.
- Remain calm and matter-of-fact it doesn't help to react to aggression with counteraggression.
- Do not get involved in any discussions. Your response is clear: no ID no alcohol.
- Don't get flustered by hectic situations.
- Ask the customer to understand your situation by pointing out that you may have to pay a fine or at worst, your employer could lose their licence and you could lose your job.
- In difficult situations (e.g. in the event of aggressive customer behaviour), call your superior or a colleague for support.