

Fargo: *Compliance Checks Ordinance*

25-1512. - Licenses—Termination, suspension, revocation, and sanctions.

E. Penalties for failing compliance checks conducted by the Fargo police department are as follows:

1. First offense - \$500 penalty. This penalty may be waived if the person serving the alcoholic beverages, as well as the management, have server training certificates. There will, however, be mandatory server training within 30 days for any employee or member of management not having server training. There will be no license sanction on a first offense.
2. Second offense - \$750 penalty. No license sanction penalty.
3. Third offense - \$1,000 penalty - for Class "AB", "A" and "B" license holders, one day suspension of license (liquor sales only) with the date selected by licensee within thirty (30) days of either occurrence of the offense or final decision upon appeal. For all other classes of liquor licenses, two days suspension of liquor sales only.
4. Fourth offense - no monetary penalty - for Class "AB", "A" and "B" license holders, three days in one week suspension of liquor license (liquor sales only) on consecutive dates chosen by licensee requiring the business to be closed. For all other classes of liquor licenses, six consecutive days suspension of liquor sales only. Such suspension shall be within thirty (30) days of either the occurrence of the offense or final decision upon appeal.
5. Fifth offense - no monetary penalty - for Class "AB", "A" and "B" license holders, seven consecutive day suspension of license (liquor sales only) with the dates selected by licensee requiring the business to be closed for liquor sales. For all other classes of liquor licenses, fourteen consecutive days suspension of liquor sales only, such suspension to be within thirty (30) days of either the occurrence of the offense or final decision upon appeal.
6. Sixth offense - no monetary penalty - for Class "AB", "A" and "B" license holders, ten consecutive day suspension of license (liquor sales only) with the dates selected by licensee requiring the business to be closed for liquor sales. For all other classes of liquor licenses, twenty consecutive days suspension of liquor sales only, such suspension to be within thirty (30) days of either the occurrence of the offense or final decision upon appeal.
7. Seventh offense - no monetary penalty - revocation of liquor license.

The foregoing penalties for failing compliance checks will be those offenses occurring within a one-year period. Said one-year period commences to run and is calculated (365 days) from the first offense by the licensee. The city of Fargo police department, in conjunction with its designee, will make a reasonable effort to conduct up to four compliance checks a year at each licensed liquor serving establishment in the city. In the event a licensed establishment fails to pass compliance checks during such visits, the same may result in additional compliance checks being conducted at that establishment during the year.