



Date of Inspection: 11/9/22
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HAVEN'T GOT ONE
APPLIED FOR ONE

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California Tobacco Seller's Permit?	<u>Yes</u> / No	Is Seller's Permit Visible?	<u>Yes</u> / No
Inventory List of Tobacco Products?	Yes / <u>No</u>	Contra Costa County Health Permit	Yes / <u>No</u>

SIGNAGE AND DISPLAYS

Yes / No - **SIGN POSTING REQUIREMENT MET?**
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Yes / No - **ARE THERE SELF-SERVICE SALES?**
It is unlawful to sell, offer for sale, or display any tobacco product or paraphernalia through a self-service display, which is accessible to the public without assistance of the clerk. For sale in packages of fewer than 20 cigarettes. [CA Business & Professions Code Section 22960, 22962 (STAKE Act), CCC Ord. 445-6.002]

Yes / No - **ARE THERE VENDING MACHINES?**
Tobacco products may not be sold, offered for sale, or distributed from vending machines. [CA Business & Professions Code 22960, 22958, 22957 (STAKE Act).]

Yes / No - **IS STOREFRONT ADVERTISING IN COMPLIANCE?**
No more than 33% of the square footage of windows and clear glass doors of a business establishment may be covered. [CA Business & Professions Code Sections 25612]. - WARNED

Yes / No - **IS THERE BLUNT WRAP ADVERTISING DISPLAY?**

Yes / No - **DOES IT MEET MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS?**
No person or business may place advertising for blunt wraps lower than four (4) feet above the floor. No person or business offering blunt wraps for sale may place blunt wrap advertising within two (2) feet of a candy, snack, or nonalcoholic beverage display. [CA Penal Code Section 308; CA Business & Professions Code Section 22962 (STAKE Act)].

Refusal of inspection is in violation of 22980(b) B&P and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000), or imprisonment not exceeding one year in a county jail or both the fine and imprisonment.

MERCHANDISE

Yes / No - **ARE SINGLE CIGARETTES PRESENT?**
No person shall sell one or more cigarette other than in the sealed and properly labeled package of the manufacturer or importer, which conform to Federal labeling requirements, including the Federal warning labeling [CA Penal Code Sections 308.2]. - WARNED ABOUT SELLING PACKS OF 2 BUNSTER SWEETS / CIGARETTES

Yes / No - **IS MINIMUM CIGARETTE PACK SIZE MET?**
Cigarettes may not be distributed, sold offered for sale in packages of fewer than 20 cigarettes. Roll-your-own tobacco may not be distributed, sold, or offered for sale in a package containing less than 0.60 Ounces of tobacco. [CA Penal Code Sections 308.3; 21 CFR 1140.14].

Yes / No - **DO CIGARETTES OR TOBACCO PRODUCTS MEET MINIMUM PACKAGE SIZE?**
Unpackaged or packages of smokeless tobacco may not be distributed, sold, or offered for sale in packages that are smaller than those distributed by the manufacturer for individual use. [21 CFR 1140.14].

Yes / No - **ARE BIDIS PRESENT?**
It is unlawful to sell, offer to sell, distribute, or import Bidis, defined as products containing tobacco wrapped temburni leaf or tendu leaf. [CA Penal Code 301.1].

Yes / No - **IS FLAVORED TOBACCO PRESENT?**
It is unlawful for any type of flavored tobacco product (Menthol is permitted) to be sold in Contra Costa County within 1,000 feet of schools, parks, playgrounds, or libraries. [CCC Ord. 445-6.006] NO FLAVORED

Yes / No - **IS DRUG PARAPHERNALIA KEPT, DISPLAYED, OR OFFERED IN ANY MANNER?** Removed from counter
"Drug Paraphernalia" means all equipment, products, and materials of any kind which are intended for use or designed for use in planting, cultivating, growing manufacturing, producing, processing, preparing, testing, analyzing, packaging, storing, concealing, injecting, ingesting, inhaling, or introducing into the human body a controlled substance as defined in Section 11364.5(d) H&S.

Business / Address: SMOKE DEROT
3770 SAN ANTONIO RD. EL SOBRANTE, CA
Clerk / Owner Name: PAWAN KUMAR
Clerk / Owner Signature: _____ ID#: 76164



TOBACCO RETAILER INSPECTION CHECKLIST
 CONTRA COSTA COUNTY OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF
 TOBACCO ENFORCEMENT
 1980 MUIR ROAD, MARTINEZ, CA 94555
 925-313-2500

Date of inspection: 4, 18, 24

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No - DO CIGARILLOS/LITTLE CIGARS OR TOBACCO PRODUCTS MEET MINIMUM PACKAGE SIZE OF 10?

Unpackaged or packages of smokeless tobacco may not be distributed, sold, or offered for sale in packages that are smaller than those distributed by the manufacturer for individual use [Contra Costa County Ordinance 445-6.010].

Yes / No - ARE ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES OR E-LIQUIDS SOLD?

Only Vaping devices that have a premarket review order issued under Section 387(c)(1)(A)(i) of Title 21 of the U.S. Code [Contra Costa County Ordinance 445-6.014].

Yes / No - ARE CIGARS A MINIMUM OF \$5.00 U.S. DOLLARS?

[Contra Costa County Ordinance 445-6.010]

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Yes / No - ARE CANNABIS PRODUCTS SOLD?

A business that sells tobacco or alcohol cannot sell or offer to sell any cannabis products [Contra Costa County Ordinance 2018-18, § 3, 6-26-18].

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Business Address: 2770 SAN PABLO DAM RD
EL SOBRANTE, CA

Clerk Name: PAULOS YOHANNES

Owner Name: ISMAEL ALTALAL

Signature (Job Title): DETECTIVE CESAR GUERRA

Officer / IDS: 77161

Refusal of inspection is in violation of 22962(c) B&P and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000), or imprisonment not exceeding one year in a county jail or both the fine and imprisonment.

Officer Signature:

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osa13770@gmail.com

Business is responsible for amending

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have violated requirements by

YELLOW COPY: Business



TOBACCO RETAIL INSPECTION CHECKLIST
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Business Address: 3770 SAN PABLO DAM RD
EL SOBRANTE CA 94803

Clerk Name: BAZEL ALQADHI

Owner Name: AHMAD

Signature (Job Title): [Signature]

Officer / ID#: CA 1 77482

Refusal of inspection is in violation of 22980(b) B&P and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000), or imprisonment not exceeding one year in a county jail or both the fine and imprisonment.

Refusal Signature:

Notes:

Business is responsible for amending the above violated requirements by 3, 17, 25
WHITE COPY: Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office
YELLOW COPY: Business
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CONTRA COSTA, COUNTY OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF
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1850 Muir Road, Martinez, CA 94553

Report Number 250004345	Sup. No. ORIG
Beat 3	
Arrest? No	Domestic Viol? No

Incident

Report No. 250004345	Supp. No. ORIG	Rpt. Date 04/29/2025	Rpt. Time 19:39	Assignment VSU	Status Report To Follow				Confidential? No	Empl. No / ID AHERN005
From Date 04/29/2025	From Time 19:39	To Date	To Time	Use Of Force NA			Call Type 11359	CAD Call No. 251191013		
Location 3770 SAN PABLO DAM RD							City EL SOBRANTE		Zip	
Evidence No	Finger Print No	Body Camera No	Vehicle Camera No	Elder Abuse No	Strang. or Suffoc. SB40 No	Victim Response No	Marsy's Law No	Missing Value	Damaged Value	

Offense

Offense No. 1	Offense HS11359(B) M 35A 35451	Description POSS MRJN For Sale-Drug/NARC OFS
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Cross Reference

No Cross Reference found

Synopsis

This report is regarding a Tobacco Retail Inspection conducted at Smoke Depot in El Sobrante.

Person

Suspect	Invl. No. 1	Name ALQADHI,BAZEL SADEQ			Type Individual	Dom. Vol. No	Juvenile No	DOB 09/25/2005	Age 19	To Age
	Race Other				Sex Male		Height 509	To Height	Weight 199	To Weight
	Hair Black		Eye Brown		Skin Brown		General Appearance			Build Heavy
	Hair Description			Facial Features						
	Deformity		Speech		Demeanor		Mask		Glasses	
	Body Clothing		Further Description							
	Address									
	Address Type		Location			City			State	Zip
	Phone Number									
	Phone Type		Phone Number							
	Email									
	Email Type		Email Address							
	ID Number									
	ID Number Type		ID Number			License State				
	Operator License		Y2030561			California				

Distribution List
INVESTIGATION CAPTAIN

Additional Routing

Reporting Deputy (Print) HERNANDEZ,AL	Date/Time Written 05/12/2025 15:50:08	Disposition Case Active
Approving Supervisor (Print) RODIER,JEFF	Supervisor ID. 68559	Date/Time 05/13/2025 09:18:20

**CONTRA COSTA, COUNTY OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF**Report Number
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Suspect

SMT

Type	Code	Description

Alias

Alias Name	Race	DOB

Employment or School

Employer/School	Position	Location	City	Phone Number
SMOKE DEPOT				

Offense Link

Link	Offense No.	Offense	Description

Vehicle

No Vehicle Found

Vessel

No Vessel Found

Property

No Property Found

Modus Operandi

No Modus Operandi found

Narrative

On 04/29/2025 at approximately, 1910 hours, I was on duty, employed by the California Highway Patrol, assigned to the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Violence Suppression Unit (VSU). I, along with my VSU partners, were conducting Tobacco Retail Inspections within Contra Costa County. We were in plain clothes, identified by departmental badges hanging from a chain around our necks.

We conducted an inspection at Smoke Depot, located at 3770 San Pablo Dam Road, El Sobrante, CA 94803. Based on previous conversations with VSU detectives, I know Smoke Depot to consistently be in violation of County ordinances regarding the sale of Tobacco. Additionally, on 03/07/2025, Detective Ward issued a citation to Bazel Alqadhi for 11359(b) H&S.

Upon contacting the worker, later identified as Bazel Sadeq Alqadhi, Alqadhi was uncooperative and became increasingly aggressive towards detectives. Alqadhi was advised by VSU Detectives of the Tobacco Inspection, and reminded him that he was cited during the previous inspection VSU Detectives conducted. Alqadhi attempted to retreat into the back room of the shop, and was asked to reposition to the front of the shop. Alqadhi continued to be disrespectful and aggressive towards Detectives and was uncompliant. He used several profanities toward law enforcement and refused to answer any questions regarding the tobacco sales in the store.

While searching for the proper licenses, multiple individual packages of Marijuana were located behind the counter. Below the packages, a box of U.S. Currency, totaling \$285 was located. In the backroom, a white backpack was located on the floor. Inside the backpack additional individual packaged Marijuana was located, along with a large plastic bag containing processed Marijuana buds. During my inspection, I was unable to locate all of the appropriate

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INVESTIGATION CAPTAIN

Additional Routing

Reporting Deputy (Print)
HERNANDEZ,ALDate/Time Written
05/12/2025 15:50:08Disposition
Case ActiveApproving Supervisor (Print)
RODIER,JEFFSupervisor ID.
68559Date/Time
05/13/2025 09:18:20



license's required to sell tobacco and/or marijuana products.

Additionally, while searching the backroom, a previous Tobacco Retail Inspection Checklist was located. The checklist showed Smoke Depot had multiple violations, including drug paraphernalia and the selling of Cannabis Products.

During a search of the backroom, a hidden compartment was located behind shelving affixed to the wall. Inside the hidden compartment, additional banned products were located, including Vapes and other flavored tobacco.

In the front of the store, I observed glass pipes, which based on my training and experience, I know to be commonly used as drug paraphernalia, which Smoke Depot was previously provided warnings about.

Based on my observation of the individual packaged Marijuana, the U.S. Currency separated from the cash register, and Alqadhi being cited previously for 11359(b) H&S, I determined that Bazel Sadeq Alqadhi was again in violation of 11359(b) H&S.

The prohibited products were seized, including Marijuana. All of the products were later booked into Sheriff's evidence.

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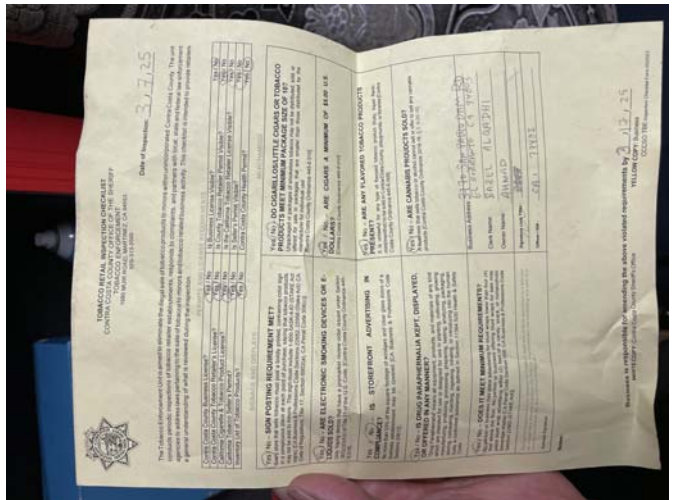
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