

[Utah Code](#)[Title 32A](#) Alcoholic Beverage Control Act[Chapter 12](#) Criminal Offenses**Section 209** Unlawful purchase, possession, consumption by minors -- Measurable amounts in body.**32A-12-209. Unlawful purchase, possession, consumption by minors -- Measurable amounts in body.**

- (1) Unless specifically authorized by this title, it is unlawful for a minor to:
 - (a) purchase an alcoholic beverage or product;
 - (b) attempt to purchase an alcoholic beverage or product;
 - (c) solicit another person to purchase an alcoholic beverage or product;
 - (d) possess an alcoholic beverage or product;
 - (e) consume an alcoholic beverage or product; or
 - (f) have measurable blood, breath, or urine alcohol concentration in the minor's body.
- (2) It is unlawful for the purpose of purchasing or otherwise obtaining an alcoholic beverage or product for a minor for:
 - (a) a minor to misrepresent the minor's age; or
 - (b) any other person to misrepresent the age of a minor.
- (3) It is unlawful for a minor to possess or consume an alcoholic beverage while riding in a limousine or chartered bus.
- (4) If a minor is found by a court to have violated this section and the violation is the minor's second or subsequent violation of this section, the court:
 - (a) shall order the minor to participate in an educational series as defined in Section [41-6a-501](#); and
 - (b) may order the minor to participate in a screening as defined in Section [41-6a-501](#).
- (5) (a) When a minor who is at least 18 years old, but younger than 21 years old, is found by a court to have violated this section, except as provided in Section [32A-12-223](#), the court hearing the case shall suspend the minor's driving privileges under Section [53-3-219](#).
- (b) Notwithstanding the provision in Subsection (5)(a), the court may reduce the suspension period required under Section [53-3-219](#) if:
 - (i) the violation is the minor's first violation of this section; and
 - (ii) the minor completes an educational series as defined in Section [41-6a-501](#).
- (6) When a minor who is at least 13 years old, but younger than 18 years old, is found by the court to have violated this section, Section [78A-6-606](#) applies to the violation.
- (7) When a court issues an order suspending a person's driving privileges for a violation of this section, the Driver License Division shall suspend the person's license under Section [53-3-219](#).
- (8) When the Department of Public Safety receives the arrest or conviction record of a person for a driving offense committed while the person's license is suspended pursuant to this section, the Department of Public Safety shall extend the suspension for an additional like period of time.
- (9) This section does not apply to a minor's consumption of an alcoholic beverage or product in accordance with this title:
 - (a) for medicinal purposes if:
 - (i) the minor is at least 18 years old; or
 - (ii) the alcoholic beverage or product is furnished by:
 - (A) the parent or guardian of the minor; or
 - (B) the minor's physician or dentist; or
 - (b) as part of a church's or religious organization's religious services.

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