



**NEW YORK STATE GAMING COMMISSION VIOLATION NOTIFICATION**

**A. Facility/Vendor:**  
Vernon Downs Casino and Hotel

**Date of Notification:** 08-24-2017

**Date of Violation:** 07-07-2017

**Case Number:** Gaming 17-003

**B. Facility/Employee Cited:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>License #</u>	<u>Address</u>
Vernon Downs Casino and Hotel		4229 Stuhlman Rd, Vernon, NY 13476
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**C. Statute, Regulation or Internal Control Violated:**

New York State Gaming Commission Rules and Regulations

§ 5117.1. Underage gaming violations.

- (a) No video lottery gaming agent, representative, licensed employee or contractor thereof, shall allow, permit or suffer any person under the age of 18 years (underage person) to:
  - (3) be present on the gaming floor without the escort of a licensed video lottery facility employee and for longer than necessary to reach a destination that is not on the gaming floor.
- (2) The commission shall penalize a licensee found to have violated paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of this section as follows:
  - (i) for a first violation, a fine of \$1,000;

**D. Summary of Violations:**

On July 7, 2017 at approximately 5:21 PM, a 17 years old male patron entered through the Garage Link door with three other male acquaintances. Security Officer/EMT ██████████ was posted at the location and talking on the work phone. He saw them but failed to request identification from those who may look to be underage. The minor walked onto the gaming floor and sat at VLT ██████████ to be around the group. Surveillance followed them throughout with multiple cameras and requested Security to do an ID check. Security Officer ██████████ approached and checked the minor's identification at 5:25 PM. It was confirmed then that the minor was indeed under 18 of age. The group was escorted out of the facility at 5:27 PM by Security Officer ██████████ and ██████████.

Based on surveillance video, the minor did not play at any VLT during the time he was on the gaming floor. Security should have checked identification at the door and provided escort to prevent underage loitering or gaming. Security Officer Illingworth was not diligent enough to prevent the violation. It is recommended for the facility to ensure that all staff understands their duties and remain vigilant at all times.

Accordingly, the Division of Gaming hereby levies a fine of \$1,000 to Vernon Downs Casino and Hotel. Please remit the fine to the New York State Gaming Commission on or before 9/25/2017. ██████████

If you wish to contest the violation set forth in this notice, you may request an administrative review by the New York State Gaming Commission including a hearing pursuant to Racing, Pari-Mutuel Wagering and Breeding Law 104(6). Please submit a request for any such administrative review to Kristen Buckley, Acting Secretary to the Commission, New York State Gaming Commission, One Broadway Center, Schenectady, New York 12305, within 30 days of receipt of this notice.

**Facility Explanation of Violation (use additional sheets if required)\*:**



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**E. Action Taken By Facility:**

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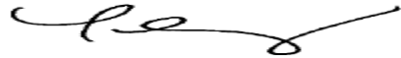
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**F. Name of Individual Completing this Form:**

Printed: Thomas A Anapolis

Signature: 

Title: Director, Gaming Division

Date: 08/24/2017

**\*To avoid further action pursuant to Video Gaming Regulation §5113.1, please provide sufficient explanation and action taken by facility within 30 days of the date of this notification. Please submit this completed form to:**

**New York State Gaming Commission  
Video Gaming Unit  
One Broadway Center  
Schenectady, NY 12301**

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**For New York State Gaming Commission Use Only:**

cc: **Edmund Burns, General Counsel  
Chris Palmer, Deputy Director, Division of Gaming  
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