The laws are already here and enforcement is next

US: Age verification mandated for tobacco, vape, CBD, adult content.

EU: Digital Services Act requires robust age checks for high-risk categories.

**UK**:Online Safety Act + Tobacco & Vapes Bill → Ofcom & Trading Standards will enforce fines.

"UKVIA already enforces Challenge 25, staff training, and refusals registers.

Now regulators want digital proof on top."

## Every underage sale exposed in the press damages the whole industry

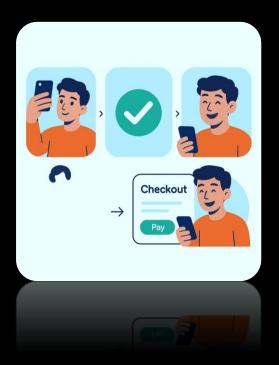


"Vaping among teens is a proven health risk; your association's leadership can avert a national crisis"

"Underage vaping is not an abstract risk — it's a front-page liability."

Protecting against this isn't just compliance — it's reputation insurance

### Protect members without losing customers



Simple. Seamless. Secure.

Protection has never been easier

"Built to meet PAS 1296 standards — no clunky delivery checks."

#### Verification in under 2 seconds with a selfie

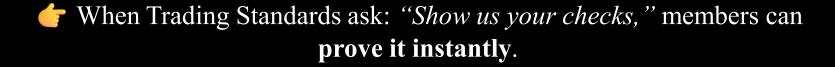
- Privacy-preserving biometric estimation no ID upload needed
- Escalates to full ID only when legally required.
- Members stay regulator-ready without checkout friction

# Proof of every check — tamper-proof and regulator-ready



"Retailers will be able to demonstrate that age verification checks have been carried out."

- Every check is automatically recorded in a secure, tamper-proof ledger.
- Simple evidence trail  $\rightarrow$  time, result, action taken.
- Members don't manage anything → the system does it in the background.



### Individual members can't solve this alone



"Challenge 25 works in-store, but online, can independents absorb £2–7k provider contracts or mandatory monthly minimum checks?"

- Verification providers demand £2-£7k + minimum contracts (25k checks per month)
- Mandatory minimum checks wasted for small merchants
- Complex integrations = IT costs that most members can't absorb
- Result: fragmented compliance, wasted money, uneven protection.

#### A collective solution that lifts all members



"UKVIA becomes the association that didn't just publish a guide — it delivered the infrastructure behind it."

- We **pool members' checks**  $\rightarrow$  meet provider minimums.
- Costs covered centrally  $\rightarrow$  free pilot for members.
- Association can **white-label the solution** → position itself as the industry leader in responsible trading.
- **Reporting dashboard** shows underage attempts blocked → PR proof for regulators and media.

### Act early. Lead the industry



"Government and Ofcom will impose solutions. UKVIA has a chance to show self-regulation works before regulation is forced."

- Act now: UKVIA delivers compliance at scale → members need not worry about minimum numbers, industry gains goodwill, regulators see leadership.
- This flips headlines from "Underage sting" to "UKVIA protects youth".

# Together, we can set the standard regulators respect.



"UKVIA is already the UK's strongest voice on youth access. Together, we can prove to regulators that industry-led action works better than top-down mandates"