



Motor Vehicle Division Informational Memo # 22-24

Administrative Rule Updates for Permits to Transport Fluid Milk Products

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SUBJECT

This informational memo explains an update to administrative rule chapter 761—511, Special Permits for Operation and Movement of Vehicles and Loads of Excess Size and Weight.

SUMMARY

The update to this rule chapter aligns with changes to Iowa Code section 321.463 and chapter 321E made during the 2021 legislative session to establish a new annual permit for the operation of vehicles transporting overweight loads of fluid milk products, including on the interstate, as long as the vehicle does not exceed a gross weight of 96,000 pounds or the maximum dimensions specified in Iowa Code sections 321.454 through 321.457. The rule amendments also add the new statutory \$400 permit fee and subject a vehicle operating under this permit to the same maximum axle weights and permitted tandem axle weights as the annual oversize/overweight permit.

The administrative rule amendments are effective August 17, 2022.

LINK TO ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

<https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/aco/arc/6405C.pdf>

CURRENT

Under current law, administrative rule chapter 761—511 did not address permits for loads of fluid milk products. However, based on the 2021 legislative changes, we have already changed our processes to implement the permit for transporting fluid milk products.

You may wish to review the previous informational memo (IM 21-26) we issued when the 2021 legislation became effective for more information about the background of the legislation.

For internal DOT employees, you may find IM 21-26 in the W drive at the address below:

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For County Treasurers and staff, you may find IM 21-26 at the link to the county treasurer's manual below:

<https://iowadot.gov/mvd/ctmanual/memos/IM-21-26.pdf>

NEW

As of August 17, the rules will align with Iowa Code and our current processes for issuing permits for transporting fluid milk products.

BUSINESS IMPACT

This directive does not impact the way that Motor Vehicle Division operates as we have already updated our processes to implement the new permit for fluid milk products. Rather this directive is just informing you that the administrative rules have now been updated.