

## **Motor Vehicle Division Informational Memo # 19-30**

### ***Minor School License for Private School Students Administrative Rule Updates***

**DATE:** December 10, 2019

**FROM:** Sara Siedsma, Compliance Officer, MVD

**TO:** All Driver and Identification Services staff, Iowa County Treasurers and County Treasurer's staff  
the issue driver's licenses and non-operator's identification cards

#### **SUBJECT**

This informational memo explains an update to administrative rule chapter 761—602, Classes of Driver's Licenses.

#### **SUMMARY**

The update to this rule chapter aligns with a change to Iowa Code section 321.194 made during the 2019 legislative session, which increased the driving distance that a student may driver with a minor's school license (MSL) from 25 miles to 50 miles if the student attends an accredited nonpublic (i.e., private) school.

**The administrative rule amendments are effective December 11, 2019.**

#### **LINK TO ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

<https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/aco/arc/4759C.pdf>

#### **CURRENT**

Previously, administrative rule chapter 761—602 contained the 25-mile driving distance for private school students driving on an MSL, as required by Iowa Code section 321.194. However, based on the 2019 legislative changes, we have already changed our processes to adhere to the new 50-mile driving distance requirements for private school students.

You may wish to review the previous policy memo (PM 19-05) we issued when the 2019 legislation became effective for more information about the background of the legislation.

For internal DOT employees, you may find PM 19-05 in the W drive at the address below:

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For County Treasurers and staff, you may find PM 19-05 at the link to the county treasurer's manual below:

<https://iowadot.gov/mvd/ctmanual/memos/PM19-05.pdf>

#### **NEW**

As of December 11, 2019, the rules will align with Iowa Code section 321.194 and our current processes for minor school licenses issued to students attending private schools.

**BUSINESS IMPACT**

This directive does not impact the way that DIS operates as we have already updated our processes to reflect the new driving distance requirements for minor school licensees attending private schools, rather this directive is just informing you that the administrative rules have now been updated.