

Red Tape Review Rule Report (Due: September 1, 2025)

Department Name:	Department of Transportation	Date:	10/3/2024	Total Rule Count:	2
IAC #:	761	Chapter/ SubChapter/ Rule(s):	424	Iowa Code Section Authorizing Rule:	307.12(1)“j”
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What is the intended benefit of the rule?

The intended benefit of this chapter is to provide guidance on the eligibility requirements and application process for Iowa businesses that use transporter plates as allowed by Iowa Code sections 321.57 to 321.63.

Is the benefit being achieved? Please provide evidence.

Yes. There are over 115 transporters that have requested and are utilizing transporter plates.

What are the costs incurred by the public to comply with the rule?

Any costs to the public related to applying to use transporter plates are because of the underlying statute, which requires the Department to make transporter plates available for use by qualified applicants.

The statute requires a \$70 application fee for a two-year certificate, signifying the business’s authority to use transporter plates.

What are the costs to the agency or any other agency to implement/enforce the rule?

There are no costs to the Department to implement the rules beyond those that would otherwise be required to administer the statute.

Do the costs justify the benefits achieved? Please explain.

Yes. The rules establish the eligibility requirements and application process for Iowa businesses that use transporter plates. This helps ensure only eligible entities are approved to use transporter plates.

Are there less restrictive alternatives to accomplish the benefit? YES NO

If YES, please list alternative(s) and provide analysis of less restrictive alternatives from other states, if applicable. If NO, please explain.

There is no less restrictive alternative available for approving businesses to use transporter plates other than establishing the basic eligibility criteria and application process in rule, which helps ensure the process is clear for applicants and is consistently applied.

Does this chapter/rule(s) contain language that is obsolete, outdated, inconsistent, redundant, or unnecessary language, including instances where rule language is duplicative of statutory language? [list chapter/rule number(s) that fall under any of the above categories]

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424.1. General. This rule moves contact information for the Department to the application rule and deletes the definitions for “dealer plate,” which is not a term used in the chapter and “department,” which is not necessary to define.

424.2 and 424.3. These two rules are currently reserved, so they are being deleted.

424.4. Transporter plates. This rule removes redundant content and unnecessarily restrictive terms.

RULES PROPOSED FOR REPEAL (list rule number[s]):



RULES PROPOSED FOR RE-PROMULGATION (list rule number[s] or include rule text if available):

424.1

424.2

***For rules being re-promulgated with changes, you may attach a document with suggested changes.**

METRICS

Total number of rules repealed:	0
Proposed word count reduction after repeal and/or re-promulgation	129
Proposed number of restrictive terms eliminated after repeal and/or re-promulgation	7

ARE THERE ANY STATUTORY CHANGES YOU WOULD RECOMMEND INCLUDING CODIFYING ANY RULES?

The Department recommends explicit rulemaking authority be added to Iowa Code section 321.58 for the transporter plate application and approval process. Although the Iowa Code requires an entity seeking to utilize transporter plates to apply to the Department, the Iowa Code does not outline the application process, or the eligibility requirements, which is instead done via administrative rule. The Department currently relies on general rulemaking authority in Iowa Code section 307.12(1)“j” for the following rules:

424.1. General.

424.4. Transporter plates.