

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

Department Name:	Department of Transportation	Date:	11/4/2024	Total Rule Count:	15
IAC #:	761	Chapter/ SubChapter/ Rule(s):	524	Iowa Code Section Authorizing Rule:	325A.3A; 325A.7A; 325A.10; 325A.13
Contact Name:	Sara Siedsma	Email:	Sara.Siedsma@iowadot.us	Phone:	515-237-3058

PLEASE NOTE, THE BOXES BELOW WILL EXPAND AS YOU TYPE

What is the intended benefit of the rule?

The intended benefit of this chapter is to is to comply with Iowa Code chapter 325A by outlining the application and eligibility requirements to obtain a for-hire intrastate motor carrier permit or certificate from the Department. A Department-issued motor carrier permit or certificate is required before a motor carrier may begin operations in Iowa.

Is the benefit being achieved? Please provide evidence.

Yes. In fiscal year 2023, the Department issued/processed applications for the following:

- 523 new permits
- 25 new certificates
- 73 reinstatements
- 163 name/address changes
- 12 duplicates

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

Any costs to the public related to applying for a motor carrier permit or certificate are because of the underlying statute, which requires the Department to issue motor carrier permits and certificates to qualified applicants.

Iowa Code section 325A.4 prescribes the applicable fees the Department must charge for associated motor carrier permit and certificate requirements.

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 motor carriers seeking a motor carrier permit or certificate. This helps ensure only eligible entities are issued such a permit or certificate.

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 alternatives available for issuing motor carrier permits and certificates 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]

PLEASE NOTE, THE BOXES BELOW WILL EXPAND AS YOU TYPE

524.2. General information. This rule is revised to replace unnecessary content.

524.3. Applications and supporting documents. This rule removes redundant and unnecessary content.

524.4. Issuance of motor carrier permit or motor carrier certificate. This removes redundant and unnecessary content.

524.5. Duplicate motor carrier permit or motor carrier certificate. This rule removes redundant and unnecessary content.

524.6. Amendment to motor carrier permit or motor carrier certificate. This rule removes redundant and unnecessary content.

524.7. Insurance-suspension. This rule removes redundant and unnecessary content.

524.8. Self-insurance for motor carrier of passengers. This rule removes redundant and unnecessary content.

524.9. Safety self-certification. This rule removes redundant and unnecessary content.

524.10. Financial statement. This rule removes unnecessary content.

524.11. Safety education seminar. This rule removes redundant and unnecessary content, and content that is duplicative of statute.

524.12. Marking of motor vehicles. This rule is deleted due to being transferred to the Department of Public Safety.

524.13. Bills of lading or freight receipts. This rule is deleted due to being transferred to the Department of Public Safety.

524.15. Tariffs. This rule removes redundant and unnecessary content.

524.16. Transfer of motor carrier route passenger certificate or motor carrier permit for household goods. This rule is deleted due to being rescinded.

524.17. Suspension, revocation or reinstatement. This rule removes redundant and unnecessary content. The content of rule 524.18 was added to this rule since it is of similar subject matter.

524.18. Hearings. This rule is deleted, and its content moved to rule 524.17.

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

524.18

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

524.1
524.2
524.3
524.4
524.5
524.6
524.7
524.8
524.9
524.10
524.11
524.12
524.13
524.14

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

METRICS

Total number of rules repealed:	1
Proposed word count reduction after repeal and/or re-promulgation	311
Proposed number of restrictive terms eliminated after repeal and/or re-promulgation	53

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

Although the Iowa Code provides several instances of rulemaking authority for the Department throughout Iowa Code chapter 325A, a centralized provision granting explicit rule making authority to the Department is requested.