

**321E.27 Special permits — relief supplies during periods of national emergency.**

1. During an emergency, the department may issue special permits pursuant to 23 U.S.C. §127(i) authorizing the transportation of divisible loads of relief supplies that exceed the weight limits established under [section 321.463](#) on the interstate highway system if the president of the United States has declared the emergency to be a major disaster under the federal Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Pub. L. No. 93-288, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §5121 et seq.

2. The department shall only issue special permits under [this section](#) exclusively for vehicles and loads that are delivering relief supplies.

3. The department may issue a special permit under [this section](#) to a commercial motor carrier that covers all vehicles operated under the commercial motor carrier's interstate or intrastate motor carrier number, as those terms are defined in [section 325A.1](#), provided all vehicles operating under the permit comply with [subsection 2](#).

4. The department shall adopt rules pursuant to [chapter 17A](#) to administer this section.  
[2021 Acts, ch 32, §1](#)