

**2B.17A Official legal publications — publication dates.**

1. An edition of an official legal publication becomes effective on its publication date. A publication date is the date that an edition of a legal publication is conclusively presumed to be complete, incorporating all revisions or editorial changes. Nothing in [this section](#) affects an effective date of a codified or uncodified provision of law, including but not limited to as provided in [Article III, section 26, of the Constitution of the State of Iowa](#), or [section 3.7](#).

2. If not otherwise established by statute or a policy of the legislative council pursuant to [section 2.42](#), the legislative services agency shall establish a publication date for each edition of a print or electronic version of an official legal publication as cited in [section 2B.17](#). The publication date may be based on the date that the edition of an official legal publication is first made available to the public accessing the general assembly's internet site. The publication date may also be the first date that an edition of a print version of an official legal publication is first made available for public distribution. If the legislative services agency does not provide a publication date for the Iowa Code, the publication date shall be the first day of the next regular session of the general assembly convened pursuant to [Article III, section 2, of the Constitution of the State of Iowa](#). Otherwise, the legislative services agency shall provide public notice of a publication date for each edition of an official legal publication on the general assembly's internet site.

3. A legal publication designated by the legislative services agency as unofficial shall not be used to establish a publication date for an official legal publication.

[2019 Acts, ch 92, §17](#)