

CHAPTER 1  
ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION  
[Prior to 10/8/86, Beer and Liquor Control Department[150]]

**185—1.1(123,17A) Purpose.** This chapter describes the organization and operation of the alcoholic beverages division, including the offices where and the means by which any interested person may obtain information and make submittals or requests.

**185—1.2(123,17A) Scope and rules.** Promulgated under Iowa Code chapters 17A and 123, these rules shall apply to all matters before the alcoholic beverages division. No rule shall in any way relieve a certificate of compliance holder, manufacturer, native distiller, vintner, brewer, wholesaler, alcohol carrier, wine direct shipper, retail alcohol licensee or wine permittee or beer permittee, or an agent or employee thereof from any duty under the laws of this state.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 123.4.  
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**185—1.3(123,17A) Duties of the division.** The alcoholic beverages division administers the laws of this state concerning alcoholic liquor, wine, and beer. The division is vested with the sole and exclusive control within the state of Iowa both as purchaser and vendor of all alcoholic liquor sold by distilleries within the state or imported therein, except wine and beer, except as otherwise provided by law.  
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**185—1.4(123,17A) Organization.**

**1.4(1) Commission.** The alcoholic beverages division consists of five commission members appointed by the governor and confirmed by the senate. The commission acts as a policy-making body and serves in an advisory capacity to the administrator. A quorum shall consist of at least three commission members.

**1.4(2) Administrator.** Subject to senate confirmation, the governor appoints an administrator who conducts the daily operations of the division as prescribed by Iowa Code chapter 123.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 123.5, 123.6, 123.9, and 123.10.  
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**185—1.5(123,17A) Central offices.** The central office is located at 1918 S.E. Hulsizer Road, Ankeny, Iowa 50021; telephone (515)281-7400 or 1-866-469-2223. The central office is responsible for the operational support of the division and is the principal custodian of all divisional orders, statements of law or policy issued by the division, and other public documents on file with the division.

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**185—1.6(123,17A) Matters applicable to all proceedings.**

**1.6(1) Communications.** All communications to the division shall be addressed to the Alcoholic Beverages Division, 1918 S.E. Hulsizer Road, Ankeny, Iowa 50021, unless otherwise directed. Bids, complaints, pleadings, or other papers required to be filed with the division shall be filed in the office of the administrator within the time limit, if any, for such filing. Unless otherwise provided, all communications and documents are officially filed upon receipt at the office of the division.

**1.6(2) Office hours.** Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Offices are closed on Saturdays, Sundays, and official state holidays designated in accordance with state laws.

**1.6(3) Public information.** Any interested person may examine all public records of the division including the decisions, orders, rules, opinions, and other statements of law or policy issued by the division in the discharge of its function. These documents may be examined in the offices of the division during regular business hours or on the website of the division located at [www.IowaABD.com](http://www.IowaABD.com).

Unless otherwise provided by law, all information contained therein shall be made available for public inspection.

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