

CHAPTER 24  
SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR MOVEMENT OF  
IMPLEMENTS OF HUSBANDRY ON ROADWAYS

[Prior to 8/7/24, see rule 761—450.6(321)]

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**661—24.1(321) Safety rules for the movement of implements of husbandry on a roadway.** The following standards are minimum safety requirements for the movement of implements of husbandry on a roadway.

**24.1(1) Towing standard.** No power unit operated by a retail seller or manufacturer shall tow more than one implement of husbandry, except those implements of husbandry that are not self-propelled and are capable of being towed in tandem, from the manufacturer to the retail seller, from the retail seller to the farm purchaser, or from the manufacturer to the farm purchaser.

**24.1(2) Equipment standards.**

*a. Braking.* Braking equipment of the towing unit or self-propelled implement of husbandry is adequate under Iowa Code section 321.430 when the vehicle is traveling 20 miles per hour and the braking device does either of the following:

- (1) Stops the vehicle or vehicles within 30 feet if the gross weight is less than 5,000 pounds.
- (2) Stops the vehicle or vehicles within 50 feet if the gross weight is 5,000 pounds or more.

*b. Rearview mirror.* The rearview mirror equipment standard in Iowa Code section 321.437 may be met by the use and installation of a temporary rearview mirror.

*c. Lighting.* The requirement in Iowa Code section 321.387 applies to the towing or towed vehicle, the rearmost implement of husbandry being towed in tandem, or a self-propelled implement of husbandry. The rear taillight equipment standard may be met by the use and installation of a temporary rear taillight. If an implement of husbandry is being towed by a vehicle that is equipped with brake lights, the requirements of Iowa Code section 321.404 also apply to the towed unit.

*d. Turn signal.* The requirements of Iowa Code section 321.317 apply to the towing or towed vehicle, the rearmost implement of husbandry being towed in tandem, or a self-propelled implement of husbandry. The turn-signal device equipment standard may be met by the use and installation of a temporary turn-signal device.

*e. Tires.* The requirements of Iowa Code section 321.440 apply for pneumatic tires on the towing or towed vehicle, the rearmost implement of husbandry being towed in tandem, or a self-propelled implement of husbandry.

*f. Warning devices.* The requirements of Iowa Code section 321.383 apply to reflective devices on the self-propelled or towed implement of husbandry.

*g. Drawbar and safety chain.* The requirements of Iowa Code section 321.462 apply when one vehicle is being towed by another vehicle.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 321.383.

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