761—640.6(321A) Proof of financial responsibility for the future. Proof of financial responsibility for the future is required pursuant to Iowa Code sections 321A.13, 321A.14, 321A.16 and 321A.17. Unless the person has filed proof of financial responsibility for all motor vehicles registered to that person, the department shall also suspend the person’s motor vehicle registrations.

640.6(1) Duration of proof. Proof of financial responsibility is required for two years starting on the effective date of the person's last suspension or revocation. The requirement terminates if the person required to give proof dies or becomes incapable of operating a motor vehicle, or surrenders license and plates to the department. Reinstatement within the two-year requirement is possible only if the person refiles such proof.

640.6(2) Methods of giving proof.

a. Proof of financial responsibility may be shown by a liability insurance certificate pursuant to Iowa Code section 321A.19. Form SR-22, “AAMVA Uniform Financial Responsibility Form,” is required as the form of the certificate. The form may describe an owner’s or operator’s policy and shall identify the policyholder by name, address, driver license number, and birth date. The effective date of the policy shall be the same as the effective date on the form. The vehicles covered shall be identified by year, make, model and vehicle identification number. The form shall be certified in accordance with the Iowa financial responsibility law by an insurance carrier authorized to transact insurance business in Iowa or by a company authorized by power of attorney. The policy shall be canceled only as provided in Iowa Code section 321A.22. Certification of coverage for an owner’s policy authorizes the policyholder to have registrations for the described vehicles. Certification of coverage for an operator’s policy does not authorize registrations.

(1) In lieu of Form SR-22, the department shall accept a copy of the form if the copy is no larger than 8½ by 11 inches and is generated by a process that produces an unaltered image or reproduction, except for size and color, of Form SR-22.

(2) In lieu of Form SR-22, the department shall accept an electronic record if the format of the record is approved by the department.

b. Proof may be given for a person who is an operator in the employ of the owner of the motor vehicle, or who is a member of the immediate family or household of the owner pursuant to Iowa Code section 321A.26, if the owner’s insurance company certifies Form SR-22 for the person required to show proof. The requirements are given in paragraph 640.6(2)”a” except that the form shall identify both the policyholder and the person for whom proof is given. This certification does not authorize the person required to give proof to register a motor vehicle.

c. Proof may be given for a person who is an operator in the employ of an owner of a fleet of motor vehicles on Form SR-23, “AAMVA Uniform Financial Responsibility Form.” The form shall identify the policyholder’s name and address, policy number, policy dates and effective date. This certification does not authorize the person required to give proof to register a motor vehicle.

d. Proof may be given for a person who is an operator in the employ of an owner who has qualified as a self-insurer pursuant to Iowa Code section 321A.34. A certificate of self-insurance may be issued by the department to a person in whose name more than 25 vehicles are registered and who submits a financial statement which is found to be satisfactory to the department. Form SR-1, “Application for Self Insurance,” shall be completed and submitted to the department with a list of all the owner’s motor vehicles registered in Iowa identified by make, year, model, and vehicle identification number. When the application is approved, the department shall issue Form SR-2, “Self Insurance Certificate.” Failure to pay a judgment pursuant to Iowa Code section 321A.34 or failure to submit an annual financial statement shall be reasonable grounds for cancellation of the certificate.

640.6(3) Rescinded, effective 1/26/83.

640.6(4) Terminating the suspension upon filing of proof. When future proof of financial responsibility is shown and the person is otherwise eligible for licensing, the department shall issue Form 431009, a suspension termination notice, to the person whose privileges were suspended under Iowa Code sections 321A.13, 321A.14, 321A.16 or 321A.17 or rules 640.5(321A) and 640.6(321A). To regain operating privileges, the person shall appear before an Iowa driver license examiner, pass the
required examinations, and pay the required fees. The person’s operating and registration privileges are restricted to the vehicles and coverage described in the notice.

640.6(5) Cancellation of future proof. An insurance carrier shall only cancel or terminate a certificate of insurance pursuant to Iowa Code section 321A.22. The cancellation shall be certified by an authorized company representative on Form SR-26, “AAMVA Uniform Financial Responsibility.” The Form SR-26 shall identify the SR-22 or SR-23 certificate to be canceled by name and address of the person, social security number, birth date, driver license number, number of the policy to be canceled and the effective date of cancellation.

640.6(6) Suspension when future proof is canceled.

a. When a person’s future proof is canceled, the person shall immediately refile future proof or surrender the license and registrations to the department.

b. If the person fails to refile, Form 431010, a suspension notice, shall be served in accordance with 761—615.37(321). The effective date of the suspension shall be the date the notice is served. The notice shall inform the person that the privilege to operate and register motor vehicles in Iowa is suspended until future proof is refiled. When the person refiles future proof, the department shall issue to the person Form 431009, a suspension termination notice.

640.6(7) Terminating the two-year proof requirement. Form 431009, a suspension termination notice, shall be issued to a person who has completed future proof requirements. The form shall notify the person that proof is no longer required and that the person may operate and register motor vehicles without the proof restrictions. If the person’s license is still valid, the person shall appear before an Iowa driver license examiner to obtain a duplicate license without the proof restrictions. If the license has expired or has not been reinstated and the person is otherwise eligible for licensing, the person shall pass the required examinations and pay the required fees. The suspension termination notice may also be presented to the county treasurer to obtain a new registration.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 321A.12 to 321A.29, 321A.31 and 321A.34.