

**761—400.5(321) Where to apply for registration or certificate of title.**

**400.5(1)** Except as otherwise provided, application for the registration of a vehicle or a certificate of title for a vehicle, or transfers thereof, shall be made to the county treasurer as described in Iowa Code chapter 321, including, when applicable, the county treasurer of a contiguous county to the county designated for the owner under Iowa Code section 321.20(1) for registration and issuance of a certificate of title. When none of the primary users of a non-resident-owned vehicle are located in Iowa, the vehicle may be registered by the county treasurer of any county.

**400.5(2)** Application shall be made to the department's motor vehicle division for the following:

*a.* Titling and registration of vehicles owned by the government. This requirement does not apply to manufactured or mobile homes subject to a public bidder sale as explained in Iowa Code subsection 321.46(2).

*b.* Registration of vehicles leased by the government for a period of 60 days or more.

*c.* Registration of urban and regional transit system buses.

*d.* Registration of fire trucks not owned and operated for a pecuniary profit.

*e.* Registration of certain authorized emergency vehicles owned and operated by nonprofit organizations.

*f.* Registration of private school buses.

*g.* Registration of vehicles under the provisions of Iowa Code subsection 321.23(4), relating to restricted-use vehicles.

**400.5(3)** Application for a certificate of title for a vehicle subject to apportioned registration under Iowa Code chapter 326 may be made to either the county treasurer or to the department's motor vehicle division.

**400.5(4)** Application for apportioned registration shall be made to the department's motor vehicle division. See 761—Chapter 500.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 321.18 through 321.23, 321.46(2), and 321.170.

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