191—10.51(522A,522E) Limited licenses.

10.51(1) *Limited licenses for vehicle rental companies and counter employees.*

a. Purpose. The purpose of this subrule is to govern the qualifications of and procedures for the licensing of vehicle rental companies and counter employees and to set out the requirements, procedures and fees relating to the qualification and licensure of vehicle rental companies and counter employees.

b. Definitions. For purposes of this subrule, in addition to the definitions in rule 191-1.1(502,505), the definitions of Iowa Code chapter 522A apply.

c. Requirement to hold a license.

(1) A rental company that desires to offer or sell insurance set forth in Iowa Code section 522A.3 in connection with the rental of a vehicle must file a vehicle rental limited license application with the division and, at the discretion of the division, receive a vehicle rental limited license.

(2) A counter employee who desires to offer or sell insurance products must file a vehicle rental counter employee limited license application with the division and, at the discretion of the division, receive a vehicle rental counter employee limited license.

d. Limited license application process for vehicle rental company.

(1) To obtain a limited license, a vehicle rental company must file a completed vehicle rental limited license application with the division and pay a fee of \$50 for a license. The vehicle rental limited license application form is available on the division's website.

(2) If the vehicle rental limited license application is approved, the division must issue a vehicle rental limited license. The vehicle rental limited license term is from the date of approval through the third December 31 after the vehicle rental limited license is issued.

e. Limited license application process for counter employees.

(1) An individual may not obtain a vehicle rental counter employee limited license unless that individual is employed by a vehicle rental limited licensee.

(2) To obtain a vehicle rental counter employee limited license, an individual must successfully complete an examination and submit to the division a completed vehicle rental counter employee limited license application, pursuant to Iowa Code section 522A.3. The vehicle rental counter employee limited license application form is available on the division's website.

(3) If the application is approved, the division must issue a vehicle rental counter employee limited license. Vehicle rental counter employee limited license applications will be deemed approved if not disapproved by the division within 30 days of receipt by the division. The vehicle rental counter employee limited license term is from the date of approval through the third December 31 after the license is issued.

(4) The vehicle rental counter employee limited license will automatically terminate:

1. When the counter employee ceases employment with a vehicle rental limited licensee; or

2. At the end of the term of the vehicle rental counter employee limited license term if the license is not renewed pursuant to this subrule.

f. Duties of vehicle rental limited licensees.

(1) Pursuant to Iowa Code section 522A.3, a vehicle rental limited licensee is responsible for the training, examination and payment of license fees for all individuals it employs for whom the licensee desires to obtain vehicle rental counter employee limited licenses.

(2) A vehicle rental limited licensee must obtain and administer an examination for all vehicle rental counter employee limited license candidates. The content of the examination and the manner of its administration must be approved by the division.

(3) The vehicle rental limited licensee must develop a system for the security of examination content.

(4) The vehicle rental limited licensee must administer the vehicle rental counter employee limited license examination under controlled conditions, approved by the division, which ensure that each candidate completes the examination without outside assistance or interference.

(5) The vehicle rental limited licensee must notify the division of the termination of employment of any of its vehicle rental counter employee limited licensees. The vehicle rental limited licensee must file reports of terminations semiannually on January 1 and July 1.

g. License renewal.

(1) All vehicle rental limited licenses and vehicle rental counter employee limited licenses must be issued with an expiration date of the December 31 at the end of the license terms and must be renewed before the end of the license terms.

(2) Each year, the division must mail to the vehicle rental limited licensee's latest electronic mail or mailing address appearing in the division's records a renewal form for use in renewing the vehicle rental limited license and all of the vehicle rental counter employee limited licenses that will expire that year.

(3) The vehicle rental limited licensee must complete the renewal form for its license if applicable and for all of the vehicle rental counter employee limited licenses that will expire that year and must return the completed renewal form and applicable fee to the division on or before December 31 of the renewal year or all licenses listed on the renewal form will expire.

(4) The fee for renewal of a vehicle rental limited license is \$50, and the fee to renew each vehicle rental counter employee limited license is \$50.

h. Limitation on fees. A vehicle rental limited licensee is not required to pay license and renewal fees of more than \$1,000 in aggregate in any calendar year.

i. Change in name or address.

(1) Vehicle rental limited licensees must file written notification with the division of a change in name or address within 30 days of the change. This requirement applies to any change in any locations at which the vehicle rental limited licensee is doing business.

(2) Vehicle rental limited licensees must file written notification with the division of changes in names or addresses of vehicle rental counter employee limited licensees. If the change of name is by a court order, a copy of the order shall be included with the notification. The limited licensee must file reports of name and address changes semiannually on January 1 and July 1.

j. Violations and penalties.

(1) A rental company or counter employee who sells insurance in violation of this rule is in violation of Iowa Code chapter 522A and is subject to the penalties provided in Iowa Code section 522A.3.

(2) A vehicle rental limited licensee or vehicle rental counter employee limited licensee who commits an unfair or deceptive trade practice in violation of Iowa Code chapter 507B, or in violation of administrative rules which implement that chapter, is subject to the penalties provided for in Iowa Code chapter 507B.

10.51(2) Limited licenses for persons who sell portable electronics insurance.

a. Purpose. The purpose of this subrule is to govern the qualifications of and procedures for the licensing of persons offering or selling any form of portable electronics insurance in this state, pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 522E.

b. Definitions. For purposes of this subrule, in addition to the definitions in rule 191–1.1(502,505), the definitions of Iowa Code chapter 522E apply.

c. Requirement to hold a portable electronics insurance limited license. A person that desires to offer or sell any form of portable electronics insurance in this state must:

(1) Be licensed as an insurance producer pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 522B;

(2) Submit an application to the division and, at the discretion of the division, receive a portable electronics insurance limited license pursuant to Iowa Code sections 522E.2, 522E.3, and 522E.4 and this subrule; or

(3) Be an endorsee in compliance with Iowa Code sections 522E.6 and 522E.7 and this subrule.

d. Application process for portable electronics insurance limited license.

(1) To obtain a portable electronics insurance limited license, a portable electronics vendor must submit to the division a completed portable electronics insurance limited license application and the appropriate fee, as required by Iowa Code section 522E.3.

(2) If the application is approved, the division must issue a portable electronics insurance limited license. The portable electronics insurance limited license term is from the date of approval through the third December 31 after the portable electronics insurance limited license was issued.

e. Portable electronics insurance limited license renewal.

(1) All portable electronics insurance limited licenses must be issued for a license period as defined in Iowa Code section 522E.1 and must be renewed triennially.

(2) Not less than 60 days before the end of the license period, the division must mail a renewal form to the portable electronics insurance limited licensee at the last-known electronic mail or mailing address appearing in the division's records.

(3) The portable electronics insurance limited licensee must complete and return to the division the completed renewal form and the applicable fee, as required by Iowa Code section 522E.5, on or before the expiration date of the portable electronics insurance limited license, or the licensee's portable electronics insurance limited license will expire and the authority of all endorsees to sell under the portable electronics insurance limited license also will expire.

f. Change in name or address. A portable electronics insurance limited licensee must file written notification with the division of a change in name or address within 30 days of the change. This requirement applies to any change in any location at which the portable electronics insurance limited licensee is doing business.

g. Violations and penalties. A portable electronics vendor or endorsee that sells insurance in violation of this rule is in violation of Iowa Code chapter 522E and is subject to the penalties in Iowa Code chapter 522E.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapters 252J, 272D, 522A, 522B, and 522E. [ARC 2260C, IAB 11/25/15, effective 1/1/16; ARC 4910C, IAB 2/12/20, effective 3/18/20]