

621—16.3(20) Registration, username, and passwords.**16.3(1) Registration.**

a. Registration required. Every individual filing documents or viewing or downloading filed documents must register as a registered user of the electronic document management system.

b. How to register. To register, the individual must complete the registration process located at perb.iowa.gov/efiling and obtain a username and password for the electronic document management system.

c. Registration complete. When the registration process is completed, the registered user will be assigned a username and password and the registered user may utilize the electronic document management system.

d. Changing passwords. Once registered, the user may change the user's password. If the registered user believes the security of an existing password has been compromised, the registered user must change the password immediately. The agency may require password changes periodically.

e. Changes in registered user's contact information. If a registered user's email address, mailing address, or telephone number changes, the user must promptly make the necessary changes to the registered user's information contained in the electronic document management system. The registered user shall promptly give notice of changes in contact information to any nonregistered party in every active proceeding in which the registered user is a party.

f. Duties of registered user. Each registered user shall ensure that the user's email account information is current, that the account is monitored regularly, and that email notices sent to the account are timely opened.

g. Canceling registration. Withdrawal from participation in the electronic document management system cancels the registered user's profile but does not authorize nonelectronic filing of documents and is not a withdrawal from a proceeding.

h. Agency-initiated registration. The agency may complete the registration process on behalf of an individual in certain instances and email the username and password to the user. When the agency completes the registration process, the user is required to promptly log in and change the password. Following initial notification regarding account registration, the user is required to promptly update and maintain accurate contact information for the EDMS account.

16.3(2) Use of username and password. A registered user is responsible for all documents filed with the user's username and password unless proven by clear and convincing evidence that the registered user did not make or authorize the filing.

16.3(3) Username and password security. If a username or password is lost, misappropriated, misused, or compromised, the registered user of that username/password shall notify the agency promptly.

16.3(4) Denial of access. The agency may refuse to allow an individual to electronically file or download information in the electronic document management system due to misuse, fraud or other good cause.

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