701—7.4 (17A) Computation of time, filing of documents. In computing any period of time prescribed or allowed by these rules or by an applicable statute, the day of the act, event or default from which the designated period of time begins to run shall not be included. The last day of the period so computed shall be included, unless it is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, in which event the period runs until the end of the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday. Legal holidays are prescribed in Iowa Code section 4.1(34).

7.4(1) All documents or papers required to be filed with the department shall be considered as timely filed if they are either received by the department's principal office or are postmarked for delivery to the department's principal office within time limits as prescribed by law or by rules or orders of the department.

7.4(2) In all cases where the time for the filing of a protest or the performance of any other act shall be fixed by law, the time so fixed by law shall prevail over the time fixed in these rules.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 17A.

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