

761—511.15(29C,321,321E) Emergency interstate permit. Emergency interstate permits are issued for vehicles transporting divisible loads of relief supplies when the weight exceeds statutory limits. Routing is subject to embargoed bridges and roads and posted speed limits. The owner or operator shall select a route using the vertical clearance map and road construction and travel restrictions map provided by the department. Route, detour, and road embargo information may be found online at www.511ia.org or the department's website for the embargo bridge maps at www.iowadot.gov/mvd/motorcarriers/bridgemap.pdf. The owner or operator must contact the appropriate local authority for route approval to determine if additional permits are necessary for county roads or city streets. Emergency interstate permits are issued for the following:

511.15(1) Vehicles with divisible loads of relief supplies, which may exceed the weight limits established under Iowa Code section 321.463 on the interstate highway system, provided the following are not exceeded.

- a. *Width.* Statutory: 8 feet 6 inches including appurtenances.
- b. *Length.* Limited to the maximum dimensions in Iowa Code section 321.457.
- c. *Height.* Statutory: 13 feet 6 inches.
- d. *Weight.* Information contained in rule 761—511.17(321,321E).
- e. *Distance.* Movement is allowed for unlimited distance on the interstate for 30 days not to exceed

the expiration of the applicable governor's proclamation issued in conjunction with the applicable declaration under the Stafford Act, or expiration of the applicable declaration under the Stafford Act, whichever expires sooner. In the event that more than one proclamation issued under Iowa Code section 29C.6 is in effect, only the proclamation issued in conjunction with the same event that caused the major disaster declaration under the Stafford Act governs the expiration date. Separate permits may be required for roads other than the interstate unless the governor, under the authority in Iowa Code section 29C.6, suspends applicable permitting provisions under proclamation for the same event.

511.15(2) Reserved.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 29C.6, 321.457, 321.463, 321E.15 and 321E.29B.

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