

441—112.4 (237) License.

112.4(1) A new license shall be obtained when the licensee moves or the facility is remodeled.

112.4(2) A new license shall be requested when the facility wishes to be licensed for a different number of children.

112.4(3) When corrective action is completed on or before the date specified on a provisional license, a full license shall be issued for the remainder of the licensure term.

112.4(4) When the corrective action is not completed by the date specified on a provisional license, a full license shall be denied.

112.4(5) The department shall issue Form 470-0727, Certificate of License, without cost to any foster family that meets the standards. The department shall issue Form 470-3623, Certificate of License, without cost to any group facility that meets the standards. The department may offer consultation to assist applicants in meeting the standards.

112.4(6) A foster family license shall be approved for a term of one year for the first and second years of licensure. Thereafter, the license shall be approved for a term of two years unless it is determined by the administrator that a one-year license may be issued. A group facility license shall be approved for a term of one to three years according to the following criteria:

- a.* A one-year license may be approved for all new agencies that meet licensure standards.
- b.* A two-year license may be approved upon completion of a survey for a renewal license when:
 - (1) Some health or safety concerns have been identified, but they are determined to be minor or easily corrected;
 - (2) Some complaints against a facility have been substantiated, but they are determined to be minor; and
 - (3) Deficiencies that have been identified are determined to be minor or easily corrected.
- c.* A three-year license may be approved upon completion of a survey for a renewal license when:
 - (1) No health or safety deficiencies have been identified;
 - (2) There have either been no substantiated complaints against the facility or, if substantiated, complaints have been determined not to be serious or severe; and
 - (3) A facility has no founded incidents of child abuse by facility staff.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 237.3 and 237.5.