661—89.201(694) Criteria.

89.201(1) An AMBER alert shall be issued by the department upon receipt of a request from a law enforcement agency, provided that the following criteria for issuance of an AMBER alert are met:

a. Law enforcement has confirmed that a person has been abducted, and an entry has been made into the Iowa On-line Warrants and Articles (IOWA) System identifying the person as missing.

b. The person who has been abducted is under the age of 18.

c. Law enforcement believes the circumstances surrounding the abduction indicate that the child is in danger of serious bodily injury or death.

d. There is enough descriptive information about the child, abductor, or suspect's vehicle to believe that an immediate broadcast alert will help.

89.201(2) The criteria should be interpreted broadly so as to protect the safety of the abducted child and to maintain the integrity of the AMBER alert program and criteria.

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