

**761—601.1(321) Application for license.**

**601.1(1) General.** In addition to the information required under Iowa Code sections 321.182 and 321.196, the information in this rule is required from an applicant for a driver's license. Additional requirements for a commercial driver's license are found in 761—Chapter 607.

**601.1(2) Name.** The applicant's full legal name shall be given on the application. Full legal name means an individual's first name, middle name(s), and last name, without use of initials or nicknames. Civilian and military titles, initials and nicknames shall not be given and shall not be used on the applicant's license or in the applicant's record. This prohibition on the use of initials does not apply where a portion of an individual's legal name, whether first, middle or last, consists of a single character, whether followed by a period or not.

**601.1(3) Out-of-state verification.** Upon application for a driver's license, the department shall ascertain whether the applicant has ever held, or is the holder of, a driver's license issued by any other state.

*a.* The department shall not issue a driver's license to the applicant if:

(1) The applicant has held a driver's license issued by any other state, but the driver's license has been suspended by reason, in whole or part, of a violation and if such suspension period has not terminated.

(2) The applicant has held a driver's license issued by any other state, but the driver's license has been revoked by reason, in whole or part, of a violation and if such revocation has not terminated, except that after the expiration of one year from the date the license was revoked, the applicant may make application for a new license if permitted by law. The department may refuse to issue a license to any such applicant if, after investigation, the department determines that it will not be safe to grant such applicant the privilege of driving a motor vehicle on the highways.

(3) The applicant is the holder of a driver's license issued by another state and currently in force, unless the applicant surrenders such license.

*b.* If the applicant is subject to subparagraph 601.1(3) "a"(2) or has committed an offense or acted in a manner in another state which in Iowa would be grounds for revocation and it has been more than one year from the date the license or driving privilege was revoked, the department may issue the applicant a driver's license only upon such terms and conditions and subject to such restrictions or limitations as if the violation had been committed and the revocation imposed in Iowa. The department shall delay licensing or restrict licensing for such period of time that the applicant would be ineligible for a driving privilege or subject to a restricted driving privilege if the violation had been committed and the revocation imposed in Iowa.

(1) For purposes of determining whether it is safe to grant the applicant a driving privilege, an applicant may be determined to be safe only if the department determines all of the following:

1. The applicant has satisfied the same requirements for the grant of a driving privilege if the violation had been committed and the revocation imposed in Iowa.

2. The applicant is otherwise physically and mentally capable of safely operating a motor vehicle.

(2) However, the department shall not assess a civil penalty to the applicant as a condition of licensing under this subrule.

(3) Pursuant to Iowa Code section 321.13, the department may make further investigation or require further information necessary to determine whether it is safe to grant the applicant a driving privilege.

*c.* If the applicant is licensed in another state but does not have a current out-of-state license to surrender, the department may require verification of the applicant's driving record from the state of record, which may be accomplished electronically where possible, to assist the department in determining whether it is safe to grant the applicant a license.

**601.1(4) Disabilities.** The applicant shall indicate and explain any mental or physical disabilities which might affect the applicant's ability to operate a motor vehicle safely. The department may make further inquiries of the applicant or require further information necessary to determine whether it is safe to grant the applicant a driving privilege, including but not limited to requesting an examination authorized under Iowa Code section 321.186.

**601.1(5) *Physical description.*** The applicant shall provide the applicant's physical description, which shall consist of the applicant's sex, height to the nearest inch, weight to the nearest pound, and eye color.

**601.1(6) *Address.*** The applicant shall provide the applicant's current residential address and the applicant's current mailing address, if different from the applicant's current residential address. The applicant shall not provide as a mailing address an address for which a forwarding order with the United States Postal Service is in place. Notwithstanding anything in subrule 601.1(6), an applicant who is a participant in the "safe at home" address confidentiality program administered by the Iowa secretary of state may submit a designated address issued to the applicant by the Iowa secretary of state as the applicant's residential and mailing address.

**601.1(7) *Signature.***

*a.* The applicant's signature shall be without qualification and shall contain only the applicant's usual signature without any other titles, characters or symbols.

*b.* The applicant's signature certifies, under penalty of perjury and pursuant to the laws of the state of Iowa, that the statements made and information provided in the applicant's application are true and correct.

*c.* The applicant's signature further certifies that the fee collected and the change returned, if any, is correct and acknowledges that the applicant is aware of the requirement to notify the department of a change in mailing address within 30 days of the change.

*d.* The applicant's signature will be captured electronically.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 321.13, 321.177, 321.182, 321.186, 321.196 and 321C.1; Article V, the REAL ID Act of 2005 (49 U.S.C. Section 30301 note); and 6 CFR Part 37. [ARC 0347C, IAB 10/3/12, effective 11/7/12; ARC 3451C, IAB 11/8/17, effective 12/13/17; ARC 6059C, IAB 12/1/21, effective 1/5/22]