

# HEMP TRANSPORTATION IN IOWA

## CAN I TRANSPORT SEED AND CLONES ACROSS IOWA OR INTERSTATE?

Hemp is not legal in Iowa until USDA approves the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship's Hemp State Plan and notice of the approval is published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin. Until such time, hemp is considered marijuana by State Law. Do not transport hemp in Iowa until hemp is legalized. Check <https://iowaagriculture.gov/hemp> for current announcements on hemp in Iowa.

## IN ANTICIPATION OF HEMP LICENSING IN IOWA, CAN I BUY HEMP SEED OR CLONES NOW?

No application deadlines will be established for the 2020 growing season. However, the submission of fingerprints for background record checks may take several weeks. A license cannot be issued until all applicants associated with the hemp license pass the background check. Beginning in 2021, hemp license applications for outdoor crop sites must be received by the Department on or before April 15. No application deadlines will be established for indoor crop sites.

## ONCE HEMP IS LEGAL, HOW DO I TRANSPORT NON-IOWA ORIGIN HEMP ACROSS IOWA?

During any period that non-Iowa origin hemp is transported within Iowa, the following applies:

1. Any person transporting hemp must carry a bill of lading that includes the following information:
  - a. Name and address of the owner of the hemp
  - b. Point of origin
  - c. Point of delivery, including name and address
  - d. Kind and quantity of packages or, if in bulk, the total quantity of hemp in the shipment
  - e. Date of shipment
2. The person must act in compliance with the federal hemp law and other applicable laws.

## ONCE HEMP IS LEGAL, HOW DO I TRANSPORT IOWA ORIGIN HEMP WITHIN IOWA?

1. LICENSEES: If a licensee is transporting hemp off of their property, the licensee shall carry all of the following:
  - a. Licensee's hemp license
  - b. If the hemp has been harvested, the certificate of crop inspection (COA) or the temporary harvest and transportation permit (THTP), if the licensee has not received a COA following official sampling and testing.
2. OTHER THAN LICENSEES: During any period that Iowa origin hemp is transported within Iowa, the following applies to unlicensed persons:
  - a. If an unlicensed person is transporting hemp in Iowa, the person shall carry a COA or THTP, and a bill of lading that includes the following information:
    - i. Name and address of the owner of the hemp
    - ii. Point of origin
    - iii. Point of delivery, including name and address
    - iv. Kind and quantity of packages or, if in bulk, the total quantity of hemp in the shipment
    - v. Date of shipment
3. The person must act in compliance with the federal hemp law and other applicable laws.

## QUESTIONS

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