

Red Tape Review Rule Report (Due: September 1, 2026)

Department Name:	Public Safety	Date:		Total Rule Count:	2
IAC #:	661	Chapter/ SubChapter/ Rule(s):	174	Iowa Code Section Authorizing Rule:	124.212B
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What is the intended benefit of the rule?

The intended benefit of the rule is to outline the use of electronic logbooks that track retail sales of pseudoephedrine as required by Iowa Code section 124.212A. This rule also provides reporting requirements for assessment of civil penalties upon a retailer or employee of a retailer of products containing pseudoephedrine for a violation of Iowa Code section 126.23A or 124.212A.

Is the benefit being achieved? Please provide evidence.

Yes, retail sales of products containing pseudoephedrine are accurately maintained so that law enforcement can identify suspicious purchasing patterns and prevent use in the illegal production of methamphetamine.

What are the costs incurred by the public to comply with the rule?

There are no costs incurred by the public to comply with the rule.

What are the costs to the agency or any other agency to implement/enforce the rule?

There are no costs to the Department or any other agency to enforce or implement this rule.

Do the costs justify the benefits achieved? Please explain.

Yes, retail sales of products containing pseudoephedrine are accurately maintained so that law enforcement can identify suspicious purchasing patterns and prevent use in the illegal production of methamphetamine.

Are there less restrictive alternatives to accomplish the benefit? ☐ YES ☒ NO

If YES, please list alternative(s) and provide analysis of less restrictive alternatives from other states, if applicable. If NO, please explain.

The Department has determined this to be the least restrictive method to achieve the intended benefit.

Does this chapter/rule(s) contain language that is obsolete, outdated, inconsistent, redundant, or unnecessary language, including instances where rule language is duplicative of statutory language? [list chapter/rule number(s) that fall under any of the above categories]

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Yes, Chapter 174 contained some outdated language.

RULES PROPOSED FOR REPEAL (list rule number[s]):

None.

RULES PROPOSED FOR RE-PROMULGATION (list rule number[s] or include rule text if available):

CHAPTER 174
RETAIL SALES OF PSEUDOEPHEDRINE

661—174.1(81GA,SF169) Electronic logbooks. A logbook of retail sales of products containing pseudoephedrine, as required in Iowa Code section 124.212A may be recorded in any electronic format, provided that the retailer maintaining the logbook provides to any peace officer a printed copy of the information required to be maintained in the same manner as would be provided if the logbook were maintained on paper.

NOTE 1: Information required to be recorded in the logbook includes the legible signature of the purchaser and the printed name and address of the purchaser.

NOTE 2: This rule applies only to the content of the information provided to a peace officer from a logbook, not to the conditions or circumstances under which information from a logbook is provided to a peace officer.

661—174.2(81GA,SF169) Reporting of civil penalties. Pursuant to Iowa Code section 126.23B, within 30 days of the assessment of a civil penalty upon a retailer or employee of a retailer of products containing pseudoephedrine for a violation of the provisions of Iowa Code section 126.23A or 124.212A, the city or county which has enforced the civil penalty will report the following information to the Department:

1. Name and address of the retailer.
2. Name and birth date of the employee, if the civil penalty was assessed against an employee. If the assessment was against more than one employee, the name and birth date of each employee subject to the assessment will be reported.
3. Date of the violation.
4. Description of the violation.
5. Amount of the civil penalty assessed.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 124.212B.

****For rules being re-promulgated with changes, you may attach a document with suggested changes.***

METRICS

Total number of rules repealed:	0
Proposed word count reduction after repeal and/or re-promulgation	15
Proposed number of restrictive terms eliminated after repeal and/or re-promulgation	2

ARE THERE ANY STATUTORY CHANGES YOU WOULD RECOMMEND INCLUDING CODIFYING ANY RULES?

No.