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Plan Ahead for Future Vehicle Orders Today!

Due to continuing COVID-19-related supply issues, vehicle ordering for at least the next year will be significantly impacted. Manufacturers are experiencing extreme back-orders of parts. Orders may be placed, but there may be long wait times. Model years and equipment packages may change or be cancelled after an order is placed. Supply issues are also affecting upfitting.

In light of this, it is important to examine your future vehicle needs and be ready to place your orders for the upcoming year as soon as possible. During this time it will be possible, with approval, to replace vehicles earlier than normal; please note the circumstances in the justification section of the ordering requisition sheet. Below are current details for the following vendors, models, and model years (MY):

- **Chevrolet**
 - Malibu: MY22 - open for orders
 - Silverados: MY21 - all closed. MY22 - orders could be limited. ****DAS Fleet Services strongly recommends that all orders be completed and submitted by the end of May.**** Order acceptance cannot be guaranteed after that point.
 - Colorado and Express Vans: MY21 - all closed. MY22 - quantities will be limited; order open date is yet to be determined.
- **Ford**
 - F150: MY21 - open for orders
 - F250: MY21 - all closed. MY22 - not open for orders; order open date is yet to be determined.
 - F350/450/550: MY22 - open for orders
 - Escape: MY21 - open for orders until April 30
- **Ram**
 - All models are currently closed for ordering until MY22; order open date is yet to be determined.
- **Chrysler**
 - Voyager: MY21 - very limited quantities. ****Order as soon as possible.**** MY22 - not open for orders; order open date is yet to be determined.

For questions or assistance with vehicle orders or upfitting, Mariah Flowers at Mariah.Flowers@iowa.gov, 515-725-2243, or 515-414-6582 (mobile).

Vehicle Fun Facts

- 80% of an average car is recyclable. In the U.S. alone, 12 million vehicles are recycled every year.
- The 2011 Ford Crown Victoria was the last vehicle to offer a cassette player as an option.

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