

Small Claims Form 3.5: *Original Notice and Petition for Replevin*

In the Iowa District Court for _____ County

Plaintiff(s)

(Name)

(Address)

(Name)

(Address)

vs.

Defendant(s)

(Name)

(Address)

(Name)

(Address)

**Original Notice and
Petition for Replevin
(Iowa Code chapter 643)**

If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at <https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/>). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). **Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.**

To Defendant(s):

1. **You are notified** that Plaintiff(s) demand(s) relief (not to exceed \$6500 in total) from you in regard to the following described property:

2. The value of the property described is (value may not exceed \$6500): \$ _____

3. The relief requested includes (check all that apply):

- ☐ Plaintiff(s) ask(s) for possession of the property.
- ☐ Plaintiff(s) ask(s) for damages for unlawful retention.
- ☐ Plaintiff(s) ask(s) for damages for any damage to the property.
- ☐ Plaintiff(s) ask(s) for damages for:

(If asking for money damages, total amount including value of property cannot exceed \$6500.)

4. Plaintiff(s) claim(s) immediate possession because (check only one):

- ☐ Plaintiff(s) own(s) the property.
- ☐ Plaintiff(s) has (have) a security agreement for the property.
 - i. A copy of the security agreement is attached.
 - ii. The agreement shows that Plaintiff(s) is(are) entitled to seize possession on default.
 - iii. Defendant(s) are in default because:
- ☐ Other:

5. The property (check only one):

- ☐ Is not in the possession of Defendant(s) pursuant to court order or judgment; or
- ☐ Was taken by Defendant(s) under court order or judgment, but the property is exempt from seizure because: _____.

6. **Judgment may be entered against you unless** you file an Appearance and Answer within **20 days** of the service of the Original Notice upon you. Judgment may include the amount requested plus interest and court costs.

7. You must electronically file the Appearance and Answer using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile>, unless you obtain from the court an exemption from electronic filing requirements.

8. If your Appearance and Answer is filed within **20 days** and you deny the claim, you will receive electronic notification through EDMS of the time and place for the hearing on this matter.

9. If you electronically file, EDMS will serve a copy of the Appearance and Answer on Plaintiff(s) or on the attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s). The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, and if you must mail a copy of your Appearance and Answer to Plaintiff(s).

10. You must also notify the clerk's office of any address change.

I (We) certify under penalty of perjury and pursuant to the laws of the State of Iowa that the preceding is true and correct.

Date: _____

Date: _____

Plaintiff's signature

Plaintiff's signature

/s/ _____
Filing Plaintiff or Attorney

/s/ _____
Second Plaintiff, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Mailing address

Telephone number

Telephone number

Email address

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

Additional email address, if applicable