## 17.05 Definition Of Manufacture Or Delivery Of Cannabis

A person commits the offense of [(manufacture of) (delivery of) (possession with intent
to deliver) (possession with intent to manufacture)] cannabis when he knowingly
[(manufactures) (delivers) (possesses with intent to deliver) (possesses with intent to
manufacture)] a substance containing cannabis [and the substance containing the cannabis
weighs [(more than grams) (more than grams but not more than grams)]].

## **Committee Note**

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720 ILCS 550/5 (West 2017).

Give Instruction 17.06.

In many cases it will be necessary to give other instructions defining terms used in this instruction. See Instruction 17.05A, defining "deliver"; Instructions 4.15 and 4.16, defining "possession"; and 720 ILCS 550/3(h), defining the term "manufacture."

When manufacture or delivery of more than 10 grams of a substance containing cannabis is charged, weight then determines the penalty for the offense and is an essential element to be decided by the jury. *See People v. Kadlec*, 21 Ill.App.3d 289, 313 N.E.2d 522 (3d Dist. 1974); *People v. Hill*, 169 Ill.App.3d 901, 524 N.E.2d 604 (1st Dist. 1988). When the jury must decide this element, use the bracketed material in this instruction and use both propositions in Instruction 17.06.

Particular care must be taken when disputes about weight support lesser included offenses. See example in the Committee Note to Instruction 17.01 and *People v. Smith*, 67 Ill.App.3d 952, 385 N.E.2d 707 (5th Dist.1978).

When the prosecution must prove the quantity of the substance as an element of the offense, it need not prove that the defendant *knew* the quantity was of any specific amount. *See People v. Cortez*, 77 Ill.App.3d 448, 395 N.E.2d 1177 (1st Dist.1979); *People v. Ziehm*, 120 Ill.App.3d 777, 458 N.E.2d 588 (2d Dist.1983).

Although the quantity may not always be required in the verdict forms, *People v. Roy*, 172 Ill.App.3d 16, 526 N.E.2d 204 (4th Dist. 1988), to insure clarity the Committee recommends that each verdict form contain the same quantity language used in the definitional and issues instructions supporting the verdict.

It should not be necessary in most manufacture and delivery cases to add the phrase "... but not more than \_\_\_\_ grams". Only when a lesser included offense instruction based upon weight is given are the statutory upper limits provided in 720 ILCS 550/5(b) through (d) an issue in the case.

See Committee Note to Instruction 17.01, concerning verdict forms and for directions on how the jury should be instructed when the weight of the substance containing cannabis is in dispute.

See Committee Note to Instruction 17.05A if delivery is in dispute.

If other terms used in this instruction need to be defined, see definitions contained in Chapter 720.

Use applicable bracketed material.

The brackets are present solely for the guidance of court and counsel and should not be included in the instruction submitted to the jury.