**CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF PRECURSORS OF**

**CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES**

**(Precursors of Drugs)**

**Penal Law 220.60**

**(Committed on or after Sept. 1, 1974)**

The (*specify*) count is Criminal Possession of Precursors of Controlled Substances.

Under our law, a person is guilty of criminal possession of precursors of controlled substances when, with intent to manufacture a controlled substance unlawfully, that person possesses at the same time:

*Select appropriate alternative:*

(a) carbamide (urea) and propanedioc and malonic acid or its derivatives.

(b) ergot or an ergot derivative and diethylamine or dimethylformamide or diethylamide.

(c) phenylacetone (1-phenyl-2 propanone) and hydroxylamine or ammonia or formamide or benzaldehyde or nitroethane or methylamine.

(d) pentazocine and methyliodide.

(e) phenylacetonitrile and dichlorodiethyl methylamine or dichlorodiethyl benzylamine.

(f) diephenylacetonitrile and dimethylaminoisopropyl chloride.

(g) piperidine and cyclohexanone and bromobenzene and lithium or magnesium.

(h) 2, 5-dimethoxy benzaldehyde and nitroethane and a reducing agent.

The following terms used in that definition have a special meaning:

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE includes (*specify*).

A person UNLAWFULLY manufactures  *(specify)*  when that person has no legal right to do so.[[1]](#footnote-1) Under our law, with certain exceptions not applicable here, a person has no legal right to manufacture *(specify)*.

INTENT means conscious objective or purpose. Thus a person acts with intent to manufacture a controlled substance unlawfully, when that person's conscious objective or purpose is to do so. [[2]](#footnote-2)

POSSESS means to have physical possession or otherwise to exercise dominion or control over tangible property.[[3]](#footnote-3)

In order for you to find the defendant guilty of this crime, the People are required to prove, from all the evidence in the case, beyond a reasonable doubt, both of the following two elements:

1. That on or about (*date*) , in the county of (*county*) , the defendant, (*defendant's name*), possessed:

*Select appropriate alternative:*

(a) carbamide (urea) and propanedioc and malonic acid or its derivatives.

(b) ergot or an ergot derivative and diethylamine or dimethylformamide or diethylamide.

(c) phenylacetone (1-phenyl-2 propanone) and hydroxylamine or ammonia or formamide or benzaldehyde or nitroethane or methylamine.

(d) pentazocine and methyliodide.

(e) phenylacetonitrile and dichlorodiethyl methylamine or dichlorodiethyl benzylamine.

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(g) piperidine and cyclohexanone and bromobenzene and lithium or magnesium.

(h) 2, 5-dimethoxy benzaldehyde and nitroethane and a reducing agent.

and

2. That, at the time the defendant possessed such substance, the defendant intended to manufacture a controlled substance unlawfully.

If you find the People have proven beyond a reasonable doubt both of those elements, you must find the defendant guilty of this crime.

If you find the People have not proven beyond a reasonable doubt either one or both of those elements, you must find the defendant not guilty of this crime.

1. *See* Penal Law 220.00(2) and Public Health Law 3396(1). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. See Penal Law 15.05(1). An expanded definition of intent is available in the General Charges section under Culpable Mental States. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. *See* Penal Law 10.00(8). Where constructive possession is alleged, or where the People rely on a statutory presumption of possession, insert the appropriate instruction as found in the Additional Charges section at the end of this article. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)