

18.23X
Definition Of Possession Of A Defaced Firearm

A person commits the offense of possession of a defaced firearm when he knowingly possesses any firearm whose importer's or manufacturer's serial number he knows to have been [(changed) (altered) (removed) (obliterated).]

Committee Note

720 ILCS 5/24-5(b) (West 2023).

Give Instruction 18.24X.

People v. Ramirez, 2023 IL 128123 (holding that an implied mens rea of knowledge applies to both elements of the offense: possession and defacement); overruling *People v. Stanley*, 397 Ill. App. 3d 598, 921 N.E.2d 445 (1st Dist. 2009) (holding that knowledge only applied to the possessory component of the offense).

Use applicable bracketed material.