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Issues In Endangering The Life Or Health Of A Child

To sustain the charge of endangering the life or health of a child, the State must prove the following propositions:

First Proposition: That the defendant knowingly [(caused)(permitted)] [(the (life) (health) of _____ to be endangered) (_____ to be placed in circumstances that endangered the (life) (health) of _____)]; and

Second Proposition: That at the time the defendant did so, _____ was a child under the age of eighteen.

If you find from your consideration of all the evidence that each one of these propositions has been proved beyond a reasonable doubt, you should find the defendant guilty.

If you find from your consideration of all the evidence that any one of these propositions has not been proved beyond a reasonable doubt, you should find the defendant not guilty.

Committee Note

720 ILCS 5/12C-5(a) (West, 2021) (formerly 720 ILCS 150/4 and 720 ILCS 5/12-21.6).

Give Instruction 11.29.

Insert the name of the child in the blanks.

When applicable, give Instruction 11.29A.

Use applicable bracketed material.

When accountability is an issue, ordinarily insert the phrase “or one for whose conduct he is legally responsible” and the word “defendant” in each proposition. See instruction 5.03.