

**712.6 Explosive materials or destructive devices.**

1. A person who possesses any explosive material or destructive device with the intent to use such device or material to commit a public offense shall be guilty of a class “C” felony.

2. *a.* A person who possesses any explosive material or destructive device shall be guilty of an aggravated misdemeanor.

*b.* This subsection does not apply to a person holding a valid commercial license or user’s permit issued pursuant to [chapter 101A](#), provided that the person is acting within the scope of authority granted by the license or permit.

3. A person who, with the intent to intimidate, annoy, or alarm another person, places a simulated explosive or simulated destructive device in a place that the person reasonably believes is likely to cause public alarm or inconvenience, is guilty of a serious misdemeanor.

4. A person who uses any explosive material or destructive device to commit any public offense or who possesses any explosive material or destructive device during the commission of a felony shall be guilty of a class “C” felony.

[C71, 73, 75, 77, §697.11; C79, 81, §712.6]

[2004 Acts, ch 1125, §16](#); [2008 Acts, ch 1147, §4](#); [2023 Acts, ch 12, §4, 8](#)

Referred to in [§712.9](#)