

§16. Warrantless arrests by a private person

Except as otherwise specifically provided, a private person has the authority to arrest without a warrant: [PL 2007, c. 173, §7 (AMD).]

1. Any person who the private person has probable cause to believe has committed or is committing:

A. Murder; or [PL 1977, c. 510, §25 (RPR).]

B. Any Class A, Class B or Class C crime. [PL 1975, c. 740, §22 (NEW).]
[PL 2007, c. 173, §7 (AMD).]

2. Any person who, in fact, is committing in the private person's presence and in a public place any of the Class D or Class E crimes described in section 207; 209; 211; 254; 255-A; 501-A, subsection 1, paragraph B; 503; 751; 806; or 1002.

A. [PL 2007, c. 466, Pt. B, §11 (RP); PL 2007, c. 466, Pt. B, §12 (AFF).]
[PL 2007, c. 518, §5 (AMD).]

3. For the purposes of subsection 2, in the presence has the same meaning given in section 15, subsection 2.

[PL 1975, c. 740, §22 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

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