

**Ala. Code 1975, § 13A-10-8**

**Rendering a False Alarm**

**(Hospital, Nursing Home, or Building Housing Handicapped)  
(felony)**

The defendant is charged with rendering a false alarm.

A person commits the crime of rendering a false alarm if he/she knowingly causes a false alarm of fire or other emergency involving danger to person or property to be transmitted to or within a hospital or nursing home or any building housing handicapped or immobile people.

To convict, the State must prove beyond a reasonable doubt each of the following elements:

- (1) The Defendant caused a false alarm of fire or other emergency involving danger to person or property to be transmitted to or within a hospital or nursing home or any building housing handicapped or immobile people, **[insert place]; (AND)**
- (2) The Defendant did so knowingly.

*Property* is any real or personal property, including books, records, and documents. [13A-10-1(6)]

A person acts *knowingly* with respect to conduct or to a circumstance described by a statute defining an offense when he/she is aware that his/her conduct is of that nature or that the circumstance exists. [13A-2-2(2)]

If you find from the evidence that the State has proved beyond a reasonable doubt each of the above elements of rendering a false alarm, then you shall find the defendant guilty of rendering a false alarm.

If you find that the State has failed to prove any one or more of the elements of the offense of rendering a false alarm, then you cannot find the defendant guilty of rendering a false alarm.

**[If lesser-included offenses are included, the Court should instruct on those offenses at this point.]**

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