

13-910. Ordinary care.

Ordinary care is that care which a reasonably prudent person exercises in the management of [his] [her] own affairs. "Ordinary care" is not an absolute term, but a relative one. In deciding whether ordinary care has been exercised, the conduct in question must be considered in light of all the surrounding circumstances, as shown by the evidence.

What constitutes "ordinary care" varies with the nature of what is being done. As the danger that should reasonably be foreseen increases, so the amount of care required also increases.

USE NOTES

As in Chapter 16, it is proper to give this instruction following the negligence or contributory negligence instruction.

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