

**3244 NEGLIGENCE: DUTY OF MANUFACTURER (SELLER) TO GIVE ADEQUATE INSTRUCTIONS AS TO THE USE OF A COMPLICATED MACHINE (PRODUCT)**

A manufacturer (seller), in the exercise of ordinary care, has the duty to give proper instructions as to the use of a machine (product) where the mechanism of the machine (product) is so complicated that it may not be readily understood by the user thereof, and the manufacturer (seller) was aware of or ought, in the exercise of ordinary care, to have been aware of the danger involved.

**COMMENT**

This instruction and comment were originally published in their present form in 1971. Editorial changes were made in 1994. No substantive changes were made to the instruction.

Graass v. Westerlin & Campbell Co., 194 Wis. 470, 216 N.W. 161 (1928).

See also Wis JI-Civil 3242.