

CPL ARTICLE 360:
JURY TRIAL (LOCAL CRIMINAL COURT).

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Local Criminal Court jury is composed of six (6) members; plus 1 or 2 alternates as Court directs (or none).

Challenges for cause include those for Superior Court jurors, as well as: if juror was witness on civil proceeding relating to same action; or was witness on the same criminal case in Superior Court/Grand Jury, before direction to file Prosecutor's Information.

Each side gets 3 peremptory challenges for regular jurors, plus 1 **only** for alternate(s) (multiple defendants treated as single party).

The Court **MAY** dismiss counts not supported by the evidence, and issue Trial order of Dismissal. If misdemeanor charge so dismissed, Court may submit lesser-included offense; **must** at People's request.

For any other misdemeanor charge where such would be supportable by evidence, Court *may* submit lesser-included offenses "in the alternative".