

### **503.010 Definitions for chapter.**

The following definitions apply in this chapter unless the context otherwise requires:

- (1) "Deadly physical force" means force which is used with the purpose of causing death or serious physical injury or which the defendant knows to create a substantial risk of causing death or serious physical injury.
- (2) "Dwelling" means a building or conveyance of any kind, including any attached porch, whether the building or conveyance is temporary or permanent, mobile or immobile, which has a roof over it, including a tent, and is designed to be occupied by people lodging therein at night.
- (3) "Imminent" means impending danger, and, in the context of domestic violence and abuse as defined by KRS 403.720, belief that danger is imminent can be inferred from a past pattern of repeated serious abuse.
- (4) "Physical force" means force used upon or directed toward the body of another person and includes confinement.
- (5) "Residence" means a dwelling in which a person resides either temporarily or permanently or is visiting as an invited guest.
- (6) "Vehicle" means a conveyance of any kind, whether or not motorized, which is designed to transport people or property.

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