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# Trespass to Chattels – interference

Interference can be established by any of the following:

- (1) actual damage to the chattel,
- (2) actual dispossession of the chattel,
- (3) loss of use of the chattel for some appreciable amount of time, or
- (4) harm to the plaintiff, or to something or someone in whom the plaintiff had a legal interest, on account of the defendant's action

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