

SAMPLE VERDICT SHEET
(SYNTHETIC CANNABINOID)
(N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5.3b. and c.)¹

STATE OF NEW JERSEY : **SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY**
 : **LAW DIVISION _____ COUNTY**

 v. :
 : **INDICTMENT No. _____**

 _____, :
Defendant.

How do you find as to Count _____ of the indictment, charging the defendant with [possession] [distribution] [dispensing] [manufacturing] [possession with intent to distribute, or dispense, or manufacture] of [**choose appropriate CDS (synthetic cannabinoid) here**]:

_____ NOT GUILTY _____ GUILTY

[In cases in which the quantity of the CDS-Synthetic Cannabinoid is an element of the offense, add the following:]

If you have found the defendant guilty, how do you find as to the quantity of [**choose appropriate CDS (synthetic cannabinoid) here**] (check one only):

_____ One (1) ounce or more; or

_____ Less than one (1) ounce.

PLEASE ADVISE THE SHERIFF’S OFFICER THAT YOU HAVE REACHED A VERDICT.

¹ Both choices as to weight are to be used when a second degree offense for distribution, manufacturing, or possession with intent to distribute, of CDS-Synthetic Cannabinoid is charged under N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5.3b. and c. If only a third degree offense is charged under N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5.3b(2)a, then the verdict sheet should simply indicate whether the jury finds defendant guilty of distribution, manufacturing, or possession with intent to distribute, of CDS- Synthetic Cannabinoid. The same holds true for unlawful possession of CDS- synthetic cannabinoid under N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5.3b. Both choices are to be used when a third degree offense for unlawful possession of CDS-Synthetic Cannabinoid is charged under N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5.3c.; but if only a fourth degree offense is charged under N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5.3c, then the verdict sheet should simply indicate whether the jury finds defendant guilty of possession of CDS-Synthetic Cannabinoid.