

Troopers Arrest Subject During Burglary-in-Progress

Delaware State Police have arrested 32-year-old **Maurice Howell** of Wilmington, DE for several criminal charges following an investigation into a commercial burglary that began on Sunday morning.

On July 10, 2022, at approximately 12:20 a.m., troopers responded to the Shell gas station located at 3001 New Castle Avenue in New Castle regarding a burglary in progress. The store alarm had been activated after the front door had been shattered, and the owner was able to see a male suspect inside of the closed business through remote camera access. Troopers arrived and gave numerous verbal commands for the suspect to exit the store, but he refused to do so. A Delaware State Police canine was deployed into the building, and the suspect was apprehended inside. The suspect, identified as Maurice Howell, was in possession of several items of merchandise when he was taken into custody.

Howell was transported to an area hospital for treatment of an injury sustained while being apprehended by the police canine. He was later released from the hospital, transported to Troop 6, and charged with the following crimes:

- Burglary Third Degree (Felony)
- Attempted Theft Under \$1,500
- Criminal Mischief Over \$1,000
- Resisting Arrest

Howell was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court # 11 and released on his own recognizance.

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