

# Delaware State Police Investigating Fatal Collision Involving Tractor Trailer

Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal motor vehicle collision involving a tractor-trailer that occurred in the Wilmington area early this morning.

On December 30, 2022, at approximately 2:03 a.m., a 2015 Freightliner Cascadia was traveling southbound on Interstate 495. The Freightliner exited the travel lanes and came to a stop in the gore area between the southbound lanes of I-495 and the exit ramp to Route 141. At the time, a 2021 Honda HRV was traveling southbound on I-495 and attempted to take the exit onto the ramp for Route 141. The Honda failed to remain within a lane of travel and entered the gore area. The front center of the Honda struck the rear right corner of the trailer in the gore area.

The operator of the Freightliner, a 48-year-old male from Hollis, NY was not injured during the collision.

The operator of the Honda, a 29-year-old male from Wilmington who was properly restrained was pronounced deceased at the collision scene. Identification of the victim is pending notification to the next of kin.

The roadway was closed for approximately four hours while the collision was investigated, and the roadway was cleared.



⚠️ Traffic Advisory- All southbound lanes of Interstate 495 at Route 141 are closed due to a serious crash.

The Delaware State Police Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction

Unit continues to investigate this incident. Troopers are asking anyone who witnessed this collision to please contact Senior Corporal Calio by calling 302-365-8483. Information may also be provided by contacting [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at [www.delawarecrimestoppers.com](http://www.delawarecrimestoppers.com).

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of a crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and need assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit / [Delaware Victim Center](#) is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll-free hotline at 1-800-VICTIM-1 (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the Victim Services Unit at [DSP\\_VictimServicesMail@delaware.gov](mailto:DSP_VictimServicesMail@delaware.gov).

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