

Troopers Arrest Man for 8th Offense DUI

The Delaware State Police have arrested 27-year-old **Octavio Lopez-Hernandez** of Dover, Delaware for felony DUI following a traffic stop that occurred early this morning in Dover.

On March 25, 2023, at approximately 1:50 a.m., a trooper on patrol observed a silver Nissan Rogue traveling at a high rate of speed southbound on North Dupont Highway near Scarborough Road. The trooper stopped the Rogue and contacted the driver and only occupant, identified as Octavio Lopez-Hernandez. The trooper smelled alcohol coming from Lopez-Hernandez's breath and detected signs of impairment. Lopez-Hernandez was subsequently taken into custody for DUI. A computer check of Lopez-Hernandez showed that he has seven prior convictions for DUI.

Lopez-Hernandez was taken to Troop 9 and charged with the following offenses:

- Driving Under the Influence, 7th Offense or Greater (Felony)
- Driving While Suspended or Revoked
- Failure to Have Insurance Identification in Possession
- Speeding

Lopez-Hernandez was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 7 and committed to Howard R. Young Correctional Institution on \$20,201 secured bond.

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