

Troopers Arrest Smyrna Man for 7th DUI Offense in Townsend

Delaware State Police arrested 52-year-old **Linwood Sample** of Smyrna, Delaware, for a 7th offense felony DUI early this morning.

On July 28, 2024, at approximately 12:34 a.m., a trooper on patrol saw a gray Dodge Magnum with a fictitious Pennsylvania license plate weaving left and right while driving southbound on US Route 13 near Fieldsboro Road in Townsend. The trooper saw the car make additional traffic violations and pulled it over on Fieldsboro Road. The driver, identified as Linwood Sample, showed signs of impairment and the trooper administered Standardized Field Sobriety Tests. After the tests, Sample was arrested for driving under the influence. A computer check showed that Sample had six prior DUI-related convictions.

Sample was taken to Troop 9 where he was charged with the crimes listed below, arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 11, and committed to Howard R. Young Correctional Institution on a \$6,500 cash bond.

- 7th Offense DUI (Felony)
- Driving while Suspended or Revoked License
- Failure to Have Insurance
- Failure to Remain within a Single Lane
- Failure to Use Turn Signal
- Fictitious Registration
- Operation of an Unregistered Vehicle