

State Police Investigating Fatal Pedestrian Crash in New Castle

The Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal pedestrian crash occurred Saturday evening that left one man dead.

On August 31, 2024, at approximately 9:46 p.m., a black Volkswagen Passat was driving southbound in the right lane of North Dupont Highway, approaching the intersection of Hazeldell Avenue. Initially, a pedestrian was walking on the right side of North Dupont Highway southbound, north of the intersection and crosswalk. The pedestrian began to cross eastward, from right to left, and entered the right lane of the North Dupont Highway southbound, into the path of the Passat. The Passat swerved but was unable to avoid hitting the pedestrian.

The pedestrian, a 61-year-old man from New Castle, Delaware, was pronounced dead at the scene. His name is being withheld until his family and relatives are notified.

The driver of the Passat, a 60-year-old woman from Bear, Delaware, was taken by ambulance to an area hospital for minor injuries.

The roadway was closed for approximately 5 hours while the scene was investigated and cleared.



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⚠️ Traffic Advisory - New Castle County ⚠️

Southbound lanes of North DuPont Highway at East Hazeldell Avenue is closed due to a serious crash. Please seek alternate routes of travel to avoid delays.

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 Master Corporal J. Forester by calling 302-365-8485. Information may also be provided by sending a private Facebook message to the [Delaware State Police](#) or contacting [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-847-3333.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of a crime, or you 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.