

State Police Arrest Wilmington Man for Vehicular Assault Following a Two- Vehicle Crash in Bear

Delaware State Police have arrested 39-year-old **Marcus Simpson** of Wilmington, Delaware, for vehicular assault, DUI, and felony gun charges following a two-vehicle crash that occurred Sunday in Bear.

On August 10, 2025, at approximately 1:01 a.m., troopers responded to a two-vehicle crash on Bear-Christiana Road near Christiana Meadows. When troopers arrived, they contacted Marcus Simpson, identified as the driver of a Tesla Model Y, involved in the crash. While speaking to him, troopers smelled an odor of alcoholic beverages, observed other signs of impairment, and discovered a firearm in his waistband.

The preliminary crash investigation revealed that the Tesla was traveling northbound on Bear-Christiana Road approaching Christiana Meadows at an apparent high rate of speed. At the same time, a Honda Insight was traveling westbound from Christiana Meadows and proceeded through a red light while turning left to travel southbound on Bear-Christiana Road. As a result, the Tesla struck the Honda, splitting it in half and ejecting the driver.

The driver of the Honda, a 34-year-old man from New Castle, Delaware, was taken to an area hospital with critical injuries.

Simpson was taken to an area hospital for non-life-threatening injuries.

After being released from the hospital, Simpson was arrested and taken to Troop 2. He was charged with the crimes listed below, arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 11, and released after posting a \$44,150 secured bond.

- Vehicular Assault 1st Degree – Driving Under the Influence Causing Negligent Injury (Felony)
- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony (Felony)
- Possession of a Firearm while Under the Influence
- Driving a Vehicle Under the Influence of a Combination of Alcohol and Any Drug
- Driving Vehicle at Unreasonable or Imprudent Speed

The investigation remains ongoing. Anyone who witnessed the crash or has relevant information is asked to contact Troop 2 at (302) 834-2620. 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 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.