State Police Investigating Fatal Crash Following Pursuit in Blades

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The Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal motor vehicle collision that occurred Saturday night in Blades after a suspect fled from an attempted traffic stop and caused a three-vehicle crash.

On September 6, 2025, at approximately 11:00 p.m., a trooper from Troop 5 attempted to stop a Chevrolet Silverado for a registration violation by activating the patrol vehicle’s emergency lights while on Seaford Road, just outside the town limits of Blades. The vehicle was displaying a temporary tag that had expired in February and had been flagged as not valid for operation on public roads.

The driver sped north at a high rate of speed. As Seaford Road becomes Market Street within Blades, the suspect vehicle entered the town limits. Less than a minute after the pursuit began, the fleeing Silverado crossed into oncoming traffic on Market Street and crashed.

The preliminary investigation revealed that the Silverado struck a Ford F-150 head-on in the southbound left turn lane of Market Street, just north of East High Street. The impact pushed the F-150 backward, causing its rear end to hit the front bumper of a Chevrolet Camaro, which had been traveling south behind the F-150.

The driver of the fleeing Chevrolet Silverado, a 58-year-old man from Seaford, Delaware, was not properly restrained and was pronounced dead at the scene. His name is being withheld until his family is notified.

The driver of the Ford F-150, a 34-year-old man from Laurel, Delaware, was wearing a seatbelt and was taken to an area hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. He was later released.

The driver of the Chevrolet Camaro, a 20-year-old man from Delmar, Maryland, was also wearing a seatbelt and declined medical treatment at the scene.

The roadway was partially shut down for approximately five hours while members of the Delaware State Police Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit investigated and cleared the roadway.

The investigation remains ongoing. Anyone who witnessed the crash or has relevant information is asked to contact Master Corporal K. Argo at (302) 703-3264. 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**.