

Bridgeville Man Arrested for Felony Firearms Offenses

The Delaware State Police have arrested 55-year-old **Richard Banks** of Bridgeville, Delaware, for felony firearms offenses, following an investigation of him possessing firearms as a person prohibited.

On November 6, 2025, members of the Delaware State Police Firearm Transaction Approval Program (FTAP) and the Delaware State Police Special Operations Response Team, responded to a residence on the 11000 block of Silent Hill Road in Bridgeville, following an investigation of Richard Banks, for the possession of firearms or ammunition as a person prohibited. Detectives contacted Banks, who was in possession of a concealed handgun while trespassing on an adjacent property. He was taken into custody without incident.

A consent search of the residence led to the discovery of the following items:

- Desert Eagle .44 caliber handgun
- Sig Sauer SP2340 handgun
- Sig Sauer P938 handgun
- Sig Sauer M-400 rifle
- Remington 870 12-gauge shotgun
- Remington 870 20-gauge shotgun
- Remington 1100 12-gauge shotgun
- Remington 700 .308 caliber rifle
- Marlin .17 caliber rifle
- Mossberg 640 .22 caliber rifle
- Assorted Ammunition

Banks, who is a convicted felon and prohibited from possessing a firearm or ammunition, was arrested and taken to Troop 5. He

was charged with the crimes listed below, arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 2, and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on a \$86,001 secured bond.



- Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon – Firearm (Felony)
- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony (Felony) – 12 counts
- Possession of a Firearm or Destructive Weapon by a

Person Prohibited with a Prior Conviction of Use, Possession, or Sale of Drugs and a Previous Conviction of a Violent Felony (Felony) – 11 counts

- Possession of a Firearm or Ammunition by a Person Prohibited with a Prior Violent Crime or Felony (Felony)
- Criminal Trespass 3rd Degree