

State Police Investigating Fatal Crash in Dover

Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal crash that occurred Thursday evening in Dover.

On July 3, 2025, at approximately 6:00 p.m., a Honda Accord was stopped for the stop sign at the intersection of Birchfield Drive and Forrest Avenue. At the same time, a Hyundai Veloster was traveling westbound on Forrest Avenue, approaching Birchfield Drive. The Honda failed to remain stopped and entered the roadway, causing the left front of the Hyundai to crash into the right front of the Honda on Forrest Avenue.

The driver of the Honda, a 76-year-old woman from Dover, Delaware, was taken to a nearby hospital, where she was pronounced dead. Her name is being withheld until her family has been notified. The driver of the Hyundai, a 17-year-old male from Marydel, Maryland, was also taken to the hospital for non-life-threatening injuries.

The roadway was partially [closed](#) for approximately three and a half hours while members of the Delaware State Police Troop 3 Collision Reconstruction Unit (CRU) investigated the crash and cleared the roadway.

The investigation remains ongoing. Anyone who witnessed the crash is asked to contact Master Corporal W. Booth at (302) 698-8451. 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.

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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.

***Update – Victim Identified* State Police Homicide Detectives Conducting Death Investigation in Frankford**

Delaware State Police have identified 37-year-old **Jessica Thompson** of Frankford, Delaware, as the woman in the ongoing [death investigation](#) in Frankford.

The Delaware State Police Homicide Unit is actively investigating this incident. Detectives are asking anyone with information regarding this case to contact Detective B. McDerby by calling 302-741-2821. 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.

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Update – Victim Identified

State Police Investigating Single-Vehicle Fatal Crash in Wilmington

Delaware State Police have identified 79-year-old **Beverly Wolfe** of Newark, Delaware, as the [woman who died in a fatal single-vehicle crash that occurred Monday night in Wilmington.](#)

The roadway was closed for several hours while the crash was investigated and cleared.

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.

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State Police Homicide Detectives Conducting Death Investigation in Frankford

The Delaware State Police Homicide Unit is conducting a death investigation in Frankford after a woman was found dead yesterday.

On June 30, 2025, at approximately 2:26 p.m., troopers responded to the 34000 block of Zion Church Road in Frankford to check the welfare of a 37-year-old woman after she had not been contacted for several days. When troopers arrived, they found the woman with an apparent fatal gunshot wound. She was pronounced dead at the scene. Her identity is being withheld until her family is notified. Due to the nature of the incident, the Delaware State Police Homicide Unit assumed the investigation. Detectives believe there is no threat to public safety.

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State Police Investigating Single-Vehicle Fatal Crash in Wilmington

The Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal single-vehicle crash that occurred last night in Wilmington that left one woman dead.

On June 30, 2025, at approximately 10:08 p.m., a 2015 Lexus RX was traveling in the right westbound lane of Lancaster Pike, approaching Hedgerow Place. Due to a severe thunderstorm passing through the area, a tree fell into the roadway directly in the SUV's path of travel. The Lexus veered to the left to avoid colliding with the tree, but was unsuccessful. As a result, the tree struck the front of the Lexus.

The passenger of the Lexus, a 79-year-old woman from Newark, Delaware, was pronounced dead at the scene. Her name is being withheld until her family and relatives are notified. The driver of the Lexus, a 79-year-old man from Newark, Delaware, was taken to an area hospital for serious injuries.

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.

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State Police Investigating Armed Robbery in Milton

Delaware State Police are investigating an armed robbery that occurred in Milton early Saturday morning.

On June 28, 2025, at approximately 1:56 a.m., troopers investigated an armed robbery that occurred in Milton. The preliminary investigation revealed that the victim was traveling on Burton Road in the area of Sand Hill Road in Milton, when an unknown vehicle flashed red and white lights behind him. The victim pulled over, and was confronted by 2 masked male suspects wearing vests labeled "ICE." The victim was then removed from his vehicle by a suspect armed with a knife, while the other suspect pointed a firearm at the victim. The suspect with the knife poked the weapon into the victim's side, and took the victim's wallet. The suspect then punched the victim in the face, and both suspects fled in their vehicle with an undisclosed amount of money.

The victim was taken to an area hospital for an injury to his face.

The suspects are described as 2 unknown males, wearing masks, and dark-colored clothing. Surveillance video and images are not yet available. **CAUTION: The suspects are possibly impersonating law enforcement. See safety tips below.**

The Delaware State Police Troop 4 Criminal Investigations Unit continues to investigate this incident. Detectives are asking anyone with information about this case to contact Detective C. Simpson by calling (302) 752-3855. 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.

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PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY:

Those who impersonate law enforcement officers compromise the public's trust in law enforcement and may endanger unsuspecting people. There are several tips you can remember to protect yourself during a traffic stop while helping law enforcement do their jobs:

- Turn your flashers on and try to stop in a well-lit area or a location where there are a lot of people present – a legitimate officer will understand if you continue until you find a well-lit area to pull over.
- Look for a uniform, official department jacket, other equipment used by police officers for the performance of their duties, and/or a marked police vehicle. If it is not a marked unit, the emergency lights should be built in, and not a temporary light placed on the vehicle. You can always call 9-1-1 to verify that an unmarked police car is in your area or to request a marked unit.
- If the officer is in plainclothes, look for identifying clothing and equipment. If unsure, explain to the

“officer” that you are unsure about the situation, and ask them to display official department identification and badge. You may call their department to verify their identity.

- Pay attention to what they are asking. Most officers will advise you of the reason for the stop and request your driver’s license, registration, and proof of insurance. If they immediately tell you to get out of the car without any preliminary questions, be suspicious.
- TRUST YOUR INSTINCTS. Call 9-1-1 if you have any doubts, and stay on the line as you drive to your closest police station.

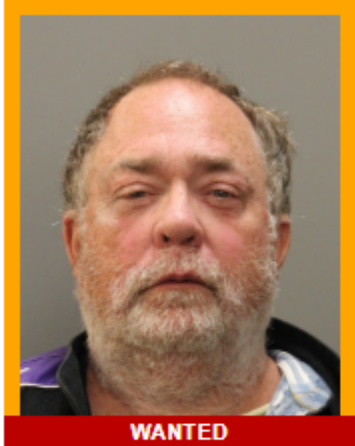
Delaware State Police S.O.A.R. Searching for Wanted Sex Offenders

The Delaware State Police Sex Offender Apprehension and Registration Unit (S.O.A.R.) is currently looking for the following **wanted** [sex offenders](#) after they either failed to register or re-register at their current address. If anyone knows the location of these individuals, please call 302-672-5306. Information may also be provided by contacting [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-847-3333.

Note: Some of the individuals listed below are also homeless. Their profiles will not be duplicated in the separate homeless sex offender news release, as their wanted status is already reflected here and within their public sex offender registry

listing.

BOWLING , BARRY L



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Registration Information (**Homeless**)

Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	April 23, 2025
Registered Since:	July 19, 2012
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	Yes

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover , DE 19903
Phone:	3026592341

COURTNEY , JOHN A



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Registration Information (**Homeless**)

Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	February 21, 2025
Registered Since:	January 18, 2014
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover , DE 19903
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HOTALING , MARCUS



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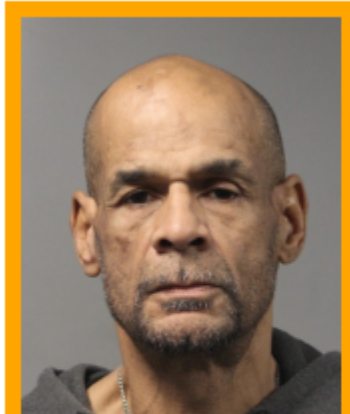
Registration Information (Homeless)

Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	March 4, 2025
Registered Since:	March 31, 2000
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover , DE 19903
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SAMUEL , MICHAEL A



WANTED

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Registration Information (Homeless)

Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	December 30, 2024
Registered Since:	January 23, 2009
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover , DE 19903
Phone:	3026592341

Homeless Sex Offender Notification

The following individuals are **not wanted** for failing to register or re-register at their current address. This is a

Homeless [Sex Offender](#) Public Notification. If you have information that the listed individuals are occupying a residence, please call 302-672-5306. Information may also be provided by contacting [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-847-3333.

BENNETT , WILSON



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Registration Information (Homeless)

Risk Level:	Tier 3 (High Risk)
Verified On:	June 23, 2025
Registered Since:	December 10, 1996
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	Yes

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover , DE 19903
Phone:	3026592341

EWELL , DON



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Registration Information (Homeless)

Risk Level:	Tier 3 (High Risk)
Verified On:	June 24, 2025
Registered Since:	May 31, 2013
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover , DE 19903
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KOPP , JEREMY



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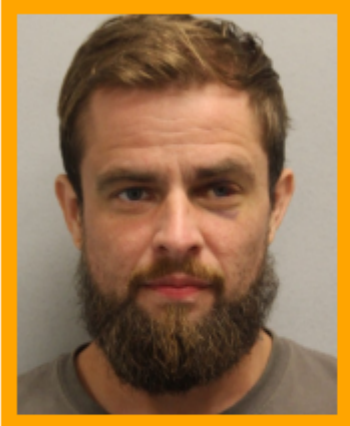
Registration Information (Homeless)

Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	June 20, 2025
Registered Since:	January 8, 1997
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover , DE 19903
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WILKERSON , DENNIS K



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Registration Information (Homeless)

Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	June 23, 2025
Registered Since:	January 13, 2012
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover , DE 19903
Phone:	3026592341

***Update – Victim Identified* State Police Investigating Fatal Pedestrian Crash in New Castle**

Delaware State Police have identified 50-year-old **Ugochi Chiaha** of Annapolis, Maryland, as the woman who died in a [fatal pedestrian crash that occurred Wednesday night in New Castle](#).

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 R. Kunicki by calling 302-365-8417. 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.

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State Police Investigating Camden Shooting

Delaware State Police are investigating a shooting that occurred Wednesday night in Camden.

On June 25, 2025, at approximately 9:30 p.m., troopers responded to South State Street near Spoon Bill Circle for a report of shots fired. A preliminary investigation revealed that a 62-year-old man from Camden was driving in the area when his vehicle was struck by gunfire. Luckily, he was not injured.

At this time, no suspect description is available.

Troop 3 Criminal Investigations Unit continues investigating this shooting. Detectives are asking anyone who witnessed the incident or has relevant information regarding this case to contact Detective I. Hitchens at (302) 698-8426. 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.