

# Weare Police Department

## Information from the station



April, 2021

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Assist Other Agency – General/Other: 11  
Burglar Alarm: 10  
Business Check: 15  
Civil Matter: 9  
Civil Standby: 2  
Court Order Violation – Default/Breach of Bail: 0  
Domestic Disturbance: 5  
Fingerprint Service: 2  
Follow Up: 16  
Juvenile Involved/Incorrigible: 1  
Motorist Assist/Disabled Vehicle: 4  
Motor Vehicle Collision – General: 8  
Motor Vehicle Complaint: 19  
Motor Vehicle Lockout: 3  
Noise Complaint: 3  
Pistol Permit Applications: 12  
Police Courtesy/Citizen Assist: 18  
Police Information – Other: 22  
Report Requests: 15  
Sex Offender Registration/Update: 5  
Sex Offense: 1  
Suspicious Activity: 6  
Suspicious Vehicle: 7  
Theft/Fraud/Scam: 0  
Vacant Property Check: 3  
Vandalism/Property Damage: 0  
VIN Verification: 9

### Upcoming Community Events



On Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Chase Park will officially be open for summer activities. The Town of Weare will be posting new No Parking Signs along Reservoir Drive as parking issues have occurred in the years past. The Weare Police Department asks for the community's assistance ensuring that all enjoying Chase Park park their vehicles in an authorized location.

### 02 Incidents & Calls for Service as Reported

Animal Complaint – Dog at Large: 9  
Animal General – Misc. Animal Calls: 7

**Note:** Administrative tasks and projects, training, and court related activity is not included.

### 03 Incidents

2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Assault: 1  
Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault: 1  
Computer Services/ Use prohibited/ Pornography: 1  
Conduct after Accident: 1  
Criminal Mischief: 4  
Criminal Neglect of Elderly: 1  
Criminal Threatening: 4  
Domestic Violence: 1  
No Crime Involved: 8  
Reckless Conduct: 1  
Simple Assault: 1  
Verbal Domestic: 1

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### 04 Arrests

**Driving After Suspension: Apr. 1, 2021** An adult female was pulled over for traveling 64 mph in a posted 45 mph zone. It was determined the operators driving privileges were suspended. The Operator was issued a summons for speed and a hand summons in lieu of physical arrest for operating after suspension. The vehicle was removed from the scene by an individual holding a valid license.

**Possession of a Controlled Drug: Apr. 6, 2021** An adult male was arrested on an outstanding arrest warrant from another jurisdiction. A search incident to arrest resulted in locating a clear capsule with a center divider. The capsule had a clear crystal substance on one side and a brown powdery substance on the other side. He was subsequently charged with Possession of a Controlled Drug.

**Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault: Apr. 14, 2021** An assault was reported to the Weare Police Department on April 11, 2021. Based on the investigation, an arrest warrant was issued for an adult male for the offenses of Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault and Second Degree Assault. With the assistance of Hillsborough County Street Crimes Task Force and New Hampshire Probation and Parole the suspect was taken into custody without incident.

**Driving Under the Influence/ Conduct After an Accident: Apr. 14, 2021** Weare Police Department received a report of a motor vehicle crashing into another vehicle and leaving the scene. The calling party followed the suspect to a residence where Weare Police Officers were able to make contact with the suspect. The suspect was subsequently placed under arrest and charged with Driving Under the Influence, Resisting Arrest, and Conduct After an Accident.

**Reckless Conduct-Deadly Weapon: Apr. 18, 2021** The Weare Police Department was dispatched to a

residence for a report of a domestic disturbance involving a firearm. While on scene it was learned that an adult female had an argument with her husband over the telephone. The suspect proceeded to go outside her residence and fire two shots from a vehicle parked within her driveway. The direction of the shots fired was towards a neighbor's residence. The suspect was placed under arrest for Reckless Conduct involving a Deadly Weapon.

**Arrest Involving Juvenile: Apr. 19, 2021** The Weare Police Department was dispatched to a residence for offenses which involved a juvenile. Based on the suspect's age no further information is available.

**Arrest on a Warrant: Apr. 29, 2021** An adult female came to the Weare Police Department after speaking with the Merrimack County Sheriff's Office. It was determined she had an outstanding arrest warrant and was subsequently placed under arrest. Merrimack County Sheriff's Office came to the Weare Police Department and took custody of the individual.

### 05 Motor Vehicle Enforcement

Directed Patrol- General: 400  
Motor Vehicle Stops: 133  
Motor Vehicle Citations: 19

#### Directed Patrols

Directed Patrols are a partnership between the community and Weare Police Department in an effort to address vehicular traffic concerns. To request directed patrols in your neighborhood, either call 603-529-7755 and ask for Corporal Michael Muise or send an email to [michael.muise@wearepolice.com](mailto:michael.muise@wearepolice.com).

### 06 Internal News

On April 17, 2021, Officer Tom Ouellette resigned his position at the Weare Police Department to continue law enforcement at another agency. This created a second full-time patrol vacancy within the Weare Police Department.

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## 07 Contact Information

### Dispatch

(603) 497-4858. Please use this number to request police assistance, report an incident, etc. Our dispatch services are provided by the Goffstown Police Department.

**If you have an emergency, always dial 911.**

### Office Line (non-emergency)

(603) 529-7755 (option 2). If your call is not answered after five (5) rings, you will automatically be transferred to our dispatch center for assistance.

### Office Fax

(603) 529-0606

### Mailing & Physical Address

Weare Police Department  
144 North Stark Highway  
Weare, NH 03281

### Website & Social Media

We are pleased to have launched our new and improved website! The site provides access to forms, resources and other information from the Weare Police Department. Please visit [wearepolice.com](http://wearepolice.com) and [facebook.com/wearepolicedepartment](https://facebook.com/wearepolicedepartment)

### Prosecution

Officer Laura Purslow prosecutes our violation and misdemeanor-level offenses, Juvenile Petitions and Administrative License Suspensions (ALS). She may be reached at (603) 529-7755 option 2.

### The Hillsborough North County Attorney's Office

prosecutes our felony-level offenses and may be reached at (603) 627-5605.

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## 08 William Paul Lewis Public Information Campaign

### RULES OF THE ROAD

Living in New Hampshire provides the experience of four seasons a year. Each season brings with it unique driving challenges. Being informed and adhering to the rules of the road is critical to avoid unnecessary risks while operating in New Hampshire's unpredictable weather patterns

#### Operating Motorized or Non-Motorized vehicles upon a way

Many laws can be easily forgotten because they seem obvious, but it is important to be reminded that they are actual laws and will be enforced. While not every rule of the road is listed below, we are highlighting the ones that are commonly misconceived.

**Example:** Turn signals - Drivers are required to use turn signals 100 feet prior to a turn on city streets and 500 feet prior to the turn when on the highway.

#### Driving Too Slow:

It can be very dangerous if the operator of the vehicle is driving too slow. It is illegal for a driver to operate a vehicle at speeds that are slow enough to alter the normal flow of traffic. If vehicles are lining up behind a slow driver, he or she is required to pull off the road so other drivers can pass.

**\*\*All drivers are expected to drive at a slower speed in extreme weather conditions. If you do not feel comfortable driving during extreme weather conditions, do your best to stay home or, if possible, pull over to a safe spot on the side of the road to allow for the weather to pass.**



#### ATV's (All-Terrain Vehicle) / OHRV's (Off-Highway Recreational Vehicle):

As a vehicle operator, be cautious and attuned to areas where OHRV's are permitted to cross roads. Expect for an OHRV operator to be crossing in the designated areas, so you are not blindsided if one actually is. Keep in mind, the operators of OHRV's must yield to all traffic and cross at a 90-degree angle. Operation of OHRV's is prohibited on public roads unless specifically permitted and posted for OHRV or snowmobile use. Examples of permitted uses are road crossings and trail connectors. In such areas the speed limit is 10 MPH, unless otherwise posted. OHRVs and snowmobiles must stay to the extreme right side of the public way.



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### Bicyclists:

When passing a bicyclist the operator of a vehicle must pass at a reasonable and prudent distance according to **NH RSA 265:143a**. The distance must be at least 3 feet when the passing vehicle is traveling at 30 miles per hour or less and one extra foot for every 10 MPH over 30 miles per hour.

Bicyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as motorists. For example, this means, bicyclists must also yield to pedestrians in a crosswalk, whether the crosswalk is marked or not. Bicycles are classified as vehicles according to **NH RSA 265:143**.



## Operating In Controlled Zones

### School Zones:

The speed limit in school zones is 10 mph less than the posted speed limit. This is in effect 45 minutes before the school opens and 45 minutes after the school closes.

\*School zone speed limit signs are DOT maintained. Should an issue arise with the "school zone" lights flashing at improper times it should be addressed with the state.



### Use of an electronic device while driving:

New Hampshire's distracted driving law makes it illegal for motorists to drive while using a handheld mobile electronic device. This includes reading, composing, viewing, or posting an electronic message. You also can not initiate, receive, or conduct a call, initiate or request access to the Internet, input information into a GPS or navigation system, or manually type data.

**\*\*Keep an "It can wait" mentality while operating a vehicle. No text or phone call is worth your life or someone else's. \*\***

### Obedience of Flag persons:

Summer in New Hampshire is when the majority of road construction takes place. It is important to remember to obey construction flaggers, according to **NH RSA 265:3-b** Obedience to Flag persons.

**(a)** The driver of any vehicle shall obey the instructions of any flag person in the act of directing, controlling, or regulating traffic within any construction, maintenance, or utility work area indicated by official traffic control devices.

**(b)** If the flag person is displaying a signal to stop, the driver of a vehicle upon a way shall stop the vehicle at least 25 feet before reaching such flag person. The driver shall not proceed until the flag person indicates that traffic may proceed and until the driver may do so safely.



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- (c) Any person who violates the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a violation and shall be fined not more than **\$100** for the first offense and not more than **\$250** for any subsequent offense committed during any calendar year.



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### **RIGHT OF WAY RULES:**

It is always important to keep in mind it is your responsibility to avoid an accident on the road even if you have the right of way.

**\*\*Drivers must yield the right of way any time not doing so could cause an accident\*\***

- Emergency Vehicles that are sounding sirens or displaying flashing lights automatically have the right of way over all other traffic. Pull over to the side of the road and STOP when you can safely do so.
- Pedestrians that are in intersections or crosswalks have the right of way over vehicles.
- Drivers must always yield the right of way to vehicles that are a part of a funeral

\*The rules of the road are always expanding; however, it is your duty as a vehicle operator to fully understand them.