

Crime Prevention Tips

Protecting Yourself against Fraud and Scams

Each year, billions of dollars are lost to fraudulent activities! Telemarketing, health care, home improvement fraud and identity theft are **just a few** of the scams out there today. The bad guys target their prey over the phone, through the mail, via the internet and door-to-door. Unfortunately, seniors often fall victim as criminals focus on their vulnerabilities and trusting nature.

Here are some guidelines to help ensure the safety of your assets.

1. **NEVER** give out your Social Security, credit card or bank account numbers.
2. Destroy personal information on documents before discarding them...use a shredder if possible!
Sound too good to be true...probably is! Be cautious of money, vacations, sweepstakes prizes, health cures, or low risk/high yield investment schemes.
3. **DO NOT** agree to any home improvement or sales contract until you **VERIFY** the existence and reputation of the business. Be sure all contractors you hire are licensed, bonded and insured.
4. Have a lawyer (or someone you trust) examine any document before you sign it.
5. **DO NOT** give money to a charitable organization until you verify its legitimacy by contacting the Attorney General's Office. Legitimate organizations do not require immediate response and should provide information by mail.
6. **NEVER** send cash through the mail, or allow anyone to pick up a check at your home.

Calls for Service as Reported

Animal Complaint – Dog at Large: 5
Animal General – Misc. Animal Calls: 12
Assist Other Agency – General/Other: 19
Burglar Alarm: 9
Business Check: 36
Business Updates: 2
Civil Matter: 4
Civil Standby: 1
Domestic Disturbance: 2
Fingerprint Service: 2
Follow Up Investigation: 14
Juvenile Involved/Incorrigible: 3
Motorist Assist/Disabled Vehicle: 12
Motor Vehicle Collision – General: 10
Motor Vehicle Complaint: 22
Motor Vehicle Lockout: 1
Noise Complaint: 2
Pistol Permits Issued: 11
Police Courtesy/Citizen Assist: 14
Police Information: 18
Protective Orders: 1
Report Requests: 16
Sex Offender Registration/Update: 7
Sex Offense: 1
Suspicious Activity/ Person: 8
Suspicious Vehicle: 3
Theft/Fraud/Scam: 5
Vandalism/Property Damage: 0
VIN Verification: 12

Monthly Total Calls Generated: 946

Note: Administrative tasks and projects, training, and court related activity is included in the monthly total.

Incidents

Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault: 1
Animal Related: 2
Criminal Threatening: 1
Criminal Trespass: 1
Domestic Dispute: 1
Drug Related: 3
Incorrigible Juvenile: 1
No Crime Involved: 2
Safe School's report: 1
Theft/Fraud: 4

Arrests

Failure to Appear (Warrant): June 1– A male turned himself into the Weare Police Department from a Superior Court warrant for failure to appear. He was released on PR bail. This felony level case has been sent to the Hillsborough County (North) Attorney's Office.

Driving While Intoxicated: June 6 – While on patrol, officers located a motor vehicle parked within East Weare Village which is clearly posted no vehicle after dark. Weare Police made contact with the male operator who exhibited signs of impairment. A roadside investigation ensued and he was subsequently arrested for Driving While Intoxicated. He was later released on personal recognizance bail.

Disobeying an Officer/ Arrest on warrant: June 9 - Weare Police conducted a motor vehicle stop in the area of Mount Williams Pond for 67/50 mph zone. The operator provided a false name to the officers on scene. His true identity was later learned while on the motor vehicle stop, and revealed an active arrest warrant out of Keene, NH. He was subsequently arrested for Disobeying an Officer, and for the warrants. He also received a citation for speed. He was released on personal recognizance bail.

Driving after Revocation/Suspension: June 10 – While Weare Police Officers were going to a residence to execute a search warrant, a vehicle pulled into the target house's driveway. Officers made contact with the operator and later learned his driving privileges were suspended. He was released on a hand summons in lieu of physical arrest.

Driving While Intoxicated: June 11 - Weare Police conducted a motor vehicle stop in the area of Mount Williams Pond for failure to activate their rear tail lights. Officer's made contact with the female operator who exhibited signs of impairment. A roadside investigation ensued and he was subsequently arrested for Driving While Intoxicated. She was later released on personal recognizance bail.

Criminal Mischief (JUVENILE): June 12– A juvenile petition was served after an investigation into graffiti being drawn at John Stark Regional High School on June 20, 2022. No further information is available due to the age of the minor.

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Reckless Conduct/ Endangering Welfare of Child: June 16- Weare Police were requested at Cold Springs Campground based on an intoxicated camper driving into a Jersey barrier and wooden fence. Based on an investigation, it was learned the male operator had a juvenile in the bed of the truck at the time of the incident. He was subsequently arrested for Reckless Conduct, Endangering the Welfare of a Child and Criminal Mischief. He was later released on personal recognizance bail.

Driving While Intoxicated: June 18 - Weare Police responded to a motor vehicle complaint in the area of Black Bird Market which resulted in the vehicle driving off the roadway into brush. Officer's made contact with the female operator who exhibited signs of impairment. A roadside investigation ensued and he was subsequently arrested for Driving While Intoxicated (third offense), Interlock device not being equipped in vehicle, Driving after Revocation and Breach of Bail. She was later released on personal recognizance bail.

Driving after Revocation/Suspension: June 21 – Weare Police Officers conducted a motor vehicle stop on Concord Stage Road for failing to have vehicle

inspected. Officers discovered that the operator's driver's license was suspended. The operator was issued a hand summons in lieu of physical arrest.

Second Degree Assault (DV): June 22- Officers responded to a residence on Dustin Tavern Road after receiving an E911 call. They were met by a female who had facial injuries from being struck in the face with an aluminum water bottle. After an investigation while on scene, a male party was taken into custody for Second Degree Assault (DV). He was subsequently held pending an arraignment at Hillsborough County (north) Superior Court. This felony level case has been sent to the Hillsborough County (North) Attorney's Office.

Simple Assault (JUVENILE): June 29 – A juvenile petition was served after an investigation into an assault which occurred at John Stark Regional High School on May 2, 2022. No further information is available due to the age of the minor.

Driving While Impaired (Second Offense): June 29
- Weare Police responded to the Mobil gas pumps after receiving a complaint of a suspicious person at the pumps. After an investigation, it was determined the operator was impaired on drugs and was not safe to drive. He was subsequently arrested for Driving While Intoxicated (second offense) and Breach of Bail. He was later released on personal recognizance bail.

Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault: June 30 – Weare Police Officers began conducting an investigating involving sexual abuse of a minor on June 7. Based on the outcome of that investigation an adult male was taken into custody and subsequently charged with Incest- Victim under 18, Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault - Victim under 13, Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault - Pattern Sexual Assault. He was subsequently held pending an arraignment at Hillsborough County (north) Superior Court. This felony level case has been sent to the Hillsborough County (North) Attorney's Office.

Motor Vehicle Enforcement

Motor Vehicle Stops: 205
Motor Vehicle Citations: 28

Internal News

Approximately one year ago Officer Seth Guilmette joined our ranks! Since that time he has worked diligently to build upon his skillset and grow a deeper appreciation for the varied responsibilities and demands of this profession. He has now met the requirements of our extensive field training program and been released to patrol. He very much looks forward to working closely with the Weare community!

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.

Mailing & Physical Address

Weare Police Department
144 North Stark Highway
Weare, NH 03281

Website & Social Media

We encourage you to visit us at wearepolice.com and to find us on Facebook and Instagram

Our website offers "**Alerts.**" Those who subscribe will receive an email alert when we have important information to share! The site also provides forms and other informational resources for your convenience.

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

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.

Directed Patrols

Directed Patrol is another example of partnering between you and Weare Police Department in an effort to address traffic concerns on our roadways. To request to have a directed patrol established in your neighborhood, either call 603-529-7755 and ask for Corporal Michael Muise or send an email to michael.muise@wearepolice.com.

Directed Patrol- General: 259

81 arose out of citizen concerns.

49 were contractual.

129 were at officer's discretion for crime prevention/ accident prevention / traffic enforcement.

DIRECTED PATROLS (Citizen concerns)

81 Patrols Conducted in June

Area / Road / Address	Area of Attention	Reported Concerns
Thorndike Rd	Roadway	Speed - Commute Times & Weekends
Deering Center Rd	Roadway	Speed
114	Between Colby - Reservoir	Speed
River Rd	Roadway	Speed
Bolton Memorial Field	BMF	Crime Prevention
Dustin Tavern Rd	Between Gould - Short	Speed
East Weare Rd	East Weare	Crime Prevention
Concord Stage Road	Between Woodbury-River	Speed
Weare Middle School	School Release	Traffic Concerns
Barnard Hill Rd	114 Side	Proactive
Gould Rd	Roadway	Speed
Ineson Memorial Field	IMF	Crime Prevention

DIRECTED PATROLS (Contractual)

49 Patrols Conducted in May

Everett Dam	(2) 30min patrols 1200-2000hrs & 2000-0200hrs	Crime Prevention
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Abuse and Neglect

While many of us are surrounded by positive environments, not everyone is as lucky. Children and the elderly are the most prone to being trapped in hostile environments because they often have a harder time advocating for themselves. As you explore your communities, pay attention to the signs that a child or elderly citizen is being abused or neglected and report it!

What is Abuse?

Abuse can be physical, sexual, or emotional. Child abuse is as an act or failure to act on the part of a parent or guardian that results in the physical or emotional harm, sexual abuse, exploitation, or death of a child. Senior citizens in abusive situations are subject to the same types of abuse as children.



Sexual Abuse

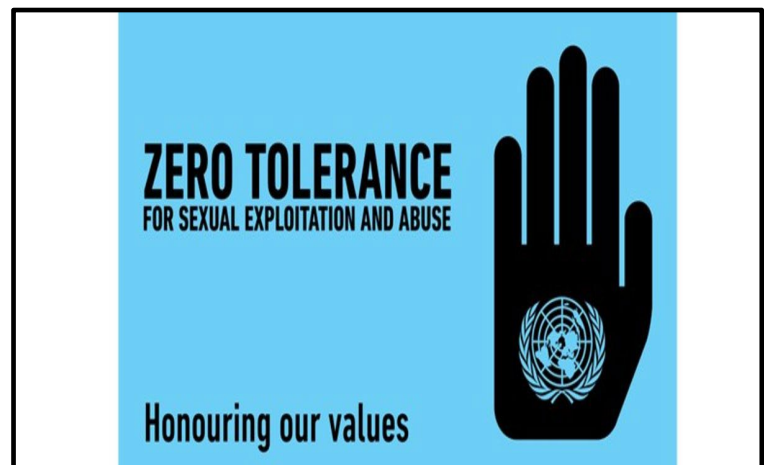
For Children signs of sexual abuse include excessive knowledge of sexual acts beyond their age range, not wanting to be left alone with certain people and unwillingness to remove clothing around others at bath time or when needing to change. Other signs include change in eating habits, decrease in self-confidence and loss of interest in hobbies they previously enjoyed doing.

For the elderly, sexual abuse includes any sexual contact with an elder who, because of mental illness or dementia, cannot communicate their disapproval of the behavior against them or cannot communicate consent for the activity.

Physical Abuse

Occurs when a child or elder is being purposely physically injured or put at risk of harm by another person. Signs and symptoms of physical abuse are unexplained injuries, such as bruises, fractures or burns.

Another sign could include a caregiver's refusal to allow you to see the elder alone.



Emotional Abuse



For children it can be a parent or other adult in the household swearing at, insulting, putting down, humiliating, or acting in a way that made the child afraid that they might be physically hurt.

* Signs and symptoms include a child's loss of self-confidence or self-esteem when asked to speak. When a child is desperately trying to seek affection, it may be to counteract ongoing emotional abuse.

*A child may also socially withdraw or have a loss of interest or enthusiasm in the hobbies they used to find enjoyable.

Emotional abuse for the Elderly is also common.

Threatening, belittling, or controlling caregiver behavior are some of the most common forms of caregiver abuse. Behavior from the elder is suddenly mimicking dementia, to include, rocking or mumbling to themselves.

What is Neglect?

Neglect is a form of mistreatment resulting from inadequate attention, especially through carelessness or disregard for the needs of others. Neglect is the failure to provide a minimum standard of care for physical and emotional needs.



Signs and Symptoms of Child Neglect

Signs may include a child having poor hygiene and lack of clothing or supplies to meet physical needs. Additional indicators may include, hiding food for later, poor record of school attendance, lack of appropriate attention for medical, dental or psychological problems. If a child is displaying unusual behavior, such as, taking food or money without permission, consider why the child may be doing so.

Types of Neglect Elders can experience



Emotional Neglect - includes causing emotional pain, distress or anguish by ignoring, belittling or infantilizing the needs of the adult.

Physical neglect - includes failing to attend to a person's medical, hygienic, nutrition and dietary needs, such as dispensing medications, changing bandages, bathing, grooming, dressing, or failure to provide ample food to maintain health.

Financial Neglect - involves disregarding a person's financial obligations such as failing to pay rent or mortgage, medical insurance or invoices, utility and garbage bills, property taxes and assessments.

Abandonment - involves deserting the caregiving needs of an individual while neglecting to arrange sufficient care and support for the duration of the absence.

For more information regarding reporting abuse and neglect in NH:

<https://www.rainn.org/laws-your-state-new-hampshire>

<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcbcs/beas/>

<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcyf/>