

Man Arrested for 4th OUI After Collision with State Police Cruiser in Methuen

On Thursday at about 8:00 p.m., a Massachusetts State Police cruiser was struck on Route 495 southbound, prior to Exit 45 in Methuen which resulted in injuries to the trooper and the driver who struck him. That driver is now under arrest for Operating Under the Influence of Liquor – 4th Offense – among other charges.

Preliminary investigation indicates that a state trooper was working a road construction detail when his cruiser was struck by a 2005 Cadillac Escalade operated by JOSEPH DOIRON, 59, of North Andover.

The trooper who was operating the cruiser was transported to Holy Family Hospital in Methuen for treatment of minor injuries. DOIRON was transported to Lawrence General Hospital for treatment of minor injuries. He was subsequently placed under arrest on the following charges:

- Operating Under the Influence of Liquor (4th Offense)
- Operating to Endanger
- Failure to Stay within Marked Lanes
- Having an Open Container of Alcohol in Vehicle
- Speeding

DOIRON is currently at Lawrence General Hospital. He will be arraigned in Lawrence District Court at a later date. State Police were assisted on scene by Methuen Fire and EMS.