

Massachusetts State Troopers respond to 2 Separate Tractor-Trailer Crashes; More Than a Thousand Packages Spilled on Highway

Late Wednesday night Troopers responded to two separate crashes involving tractor-trailers on Route 495 southbound in Chelmsford. The separate crashes occurred around 10:30 and remain under investigation.

One crash involved a tractor-trailer and a personal vehicle. The second crash involved two tractor-trailers, one of which, a UPS truck dropped its large cargo of parcels onto the roadway. At this time there are estimated to be well over a thousand parcels on the roadway. The spilled parcels will be reloaded onto another UPS truck that responded to the scene from the company's nearby facility.

Three people were transported to Lowell General Hospital with non-life threatening injuries. One of the injured was an occupant of the personal car, while the other two are tractor-trailer drivers.

Two of the three lanes are closed for the clean up operation and crash investigation. Because of the large number of parcels on the road, the two lanes are expected to be closed for several hours.

The investigation into the causes of the separate crashes is being conducted by Troop A of the Massachusetts State Police with assistance from the State Police Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Section.