New Bedford man arrested after reports of person with pistol in waistband walking around

"NEW BEDFORD — Patrol officers have arrested a man in the north-end sector for unlawfully carrying a gun.

On March 25th, at around 10 AM, a call was received regarding a man with a pistol in his waistband walking on County St. in the area of Coggeshall St. Shortly thereafter, Officer Michael Dane located a male who matched the description provided. Ofc. Dane approached the male and conducted a search, soon discovering that he was carrying a firearm in his front waistband.

The male was identified as JONATAS MENDES, 40, of Hazard Ct. MENDES did not have a license to possess the gun, which was a .38 caliber revolver. He was taken into custody and charged with carrying a loaded firearm without a license.

If you have any information you would like to share with the police, you can do so anonymously by submitting a tip on our website or by calling 508-99-CRIME."-New Bedford Police Department.