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Darien Man Charged with DUI & Driving 54 MPH on Post Road

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A Darien man was arrested on a charge of driving while under the influence and speeding after a police officer saw the man's car speeding along the Post Road and then smelled alcohol on the driver's breath, police said.

Darien police described what happened with this account (including accusations not proven in court):

At about 12:30 a.m., the driver, 26, of Goodwives River Road, was driving east on the Post Road when the police officer spotted his black 2015 Toyota Corola near [the intersection with Lighthouse Way](#).

The car was traveling as fast as 54 mph on the road at a spot where the speed limit is 35 mph. The officer pulled over the vehicle.

After smelling alcohol on the driver's breath, the officer had him take field sobriety tests, which the

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driver couldn't successfully complete. He was charged with driving while under the influence and taken to Darien Police Headquarters.

The driver said he had been drinking earlier that night — a glass of wine and two glasses of whiskey.

Breath tests given at the police station indicated he had blood-alcohol content of 0.1064 by 1:17 a.m. and 0.0951 at 1:37 a.m. The legal limit is 0.08.

The man was later released on a \$250 bond and got a ride from a friend. He is due in court on Jan. 23.