

Marijuana Found in Car with Three Occupants

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Six bags containing marijuana and several marijuana cigarettes were found in a car stopped by a police officer who saw the light for the back license plate was not working, police said.

Darien police described the incident with this account (containing accusations not proven in court):

At 4:45 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 7, an officer parked in the area of the Post Road and Fitch Avenue saw a 2001 silver Acura pass by without the light. The officer stopped the car on [Park Place near Fitch Avenue](#) and smelled marijuana as he spoke with the driver.

The driver, a 19-year-old Norwalk man, said he didn't know that he needed the license plate light to be working. He denied that he had any marijuana on him, but said he and his passengers had just been smoking it. In the car with him were two other men, ages 19 and 20.

Police K-9 Zulu started searching in the car, and the driver admitted he had some marijuana in it. Used marijuana cigarettes were found throughout the passenger compartment, and six small bags of marijuana were found in a dashboard compartment.

The driver was issued an infraction ticket for possession of less than half an ounce of marijuana and given a warning to get the rear license plate light fixed.