

Police: DUI for Woman, 59, Who Hit Curb So Many Times Her Car Couldn't Be Driven

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A 59-year-old woman was charged with driving while under the influence after her car swerved quite a bit and hit the curb several times, until it became undriveable, police said a witness told them.

The driver, who was not injured, appeared confused, police said.

Police gave this further account of the incident and arrest, with accusations not proven in court:

Police were called to Hoyt Street near its intersection with Phillips Lane at 12:53 p.m., on Tuesday, Sept. 26, where they found a white 2013 Honda Civic, pulled to the side of the road. The car had heavy front-end damage on the front passenger-side tire and rim.

The driver, still in the driver's seat, was unable to remember hitting anything and didn't know how the car was damaged. The woman appeared confused and found it hard to put the vehicle in Park or to remove the keys.

Asked to perform field sobriety tests, the woman failed to complete them in a satisfactory way, and she was unsteady on her feet, so she was charged with driving while under the influence and taken to Police Headquarters.

She was given breath tests, but they failed to find anything, so she was given blood tests. Police had not received the results of those tests by the time of the police announcement on Monday.

The woman, a resident of Union Avenue in Norwalk, submitted to a breath test, but it registered no alcohol. She then took a urine test at 2:02 and 2:18 p.m., and the sample was sent to the state police crime lab. Results

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had not yet been given to police at the time of Monday's announcement of the arrest.

The woman was later released after posting a \$500 bond at 4:35 p.m. She is to appear Oct. 6 in state Superior Court in Stamford.