

Police: Man, 27, Had Pot, Cocaine, Cracked Windshield, Unregistered Pickup, No Insurance

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Several marijuana cigarettes, a little cocaine, driving a pickup truck with expired registration and a cracked windshield but without insurance — all those violations of the law were enough for a driver, 29 (whose license was suspended) to get his truck towed and take a trip to the police station, according to Darien police.

Police gave this account of how it happened, including accusations of crimes not proven in court:

At 5:47 p.m. on Wednesday, May 31, a police officer noticed that the windshield was cracked on a red pickup traveling west [on the Post road near Richmond Drive](#). A records check showed the 2000 model Dodge Ram wasn't registered.

SIDEBAR:

Motor Vehicle Accidents and 'Click It or Ticket' Charges

Darien police investigated eight motor vehicle accidents between Monday, May 29 and Monday, June 5. Two were reported with injuries.

The Darien Police Department, as part of the national “Click It or Ticket” campaign, issued 94 infractions for failing to wear a seat belt from May 22 and June 4.

The vehicle was stopped and police found that although the driver, a Stamford resident, had his driver's license with him, it had been suspended. Police arrested the man and told him his car would be towed and an inventory taken of the items in it.

The driver said there were some marijuana cigarettes in the truck, and police found them in a glass jar. They also found a plastic straw with a white powdery substance on it.

When the driver was asked about the straw and what it was used for, he said, "You know, that was from when I used to party." Later tests at Police Headquarters on the powder and the suspected marijuana indicated the powder is cocaine; the cigarettes, marijuana. The pickup truck was towed.

The man was charged with possession of narcotics, possession of less than half an ounce of marijuana, failing to insure a motor vehicle, driving an unregistered motor vehicle and driving with a suspended license. He was later released on \$500 bond and is scheduled to appear June 14 in state Superior Court in Stamford.