

Town of New Canaan FIRE DEPARTMENT



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PRESS RELEASE

Working on our local roads is one of the most dangerous places New Canaan first responders operate regularly; distracted drivers, poor visibility or poor weather increase that risk significantly.

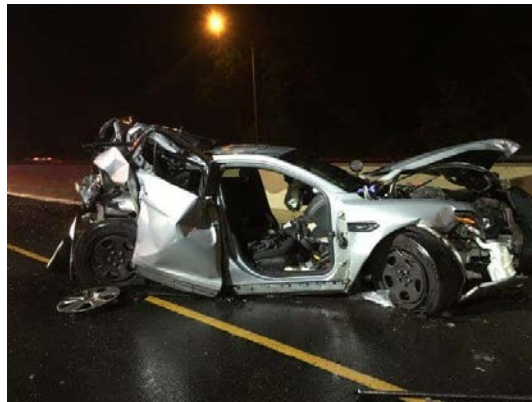
Did You Know

Connecticut State Law requires you to slow down and move over on traffic lane when approaching all emergency scenes on limited access highways?

Connecticut established the "Move Over Law" in 2009 and it states:

Any operator of a motor vehicle on a highway when approaching one or more stationary emergency vehicles located on the shoulder, lane or breakdown lane of such highway shall (1) immediately reduce speed to a reasonable level below the posted speed limit, and (2) if traveling in the lane adjacent to the shoulder, lane or breakdown lane containing such emergency vehicle, move such motor vehicle over one lane, unless such movement would be unreasonable or unsafe.

Please SLOW DOWN & MOVE OVER when approaching an emergency scene.



In the early morning hours of June 16, 2019, a Connecticut State Trooper was struck on Interstate 95 in Fairfield while rendering aid to a disabled motorist. The trooper was extricated from his cruiser by the Fire Department and transported to the hospital by EMS for treatment of his injuries.