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PRESS RELEASE

The Office of Inspector General is investigating the death of Joseph Jackson, a 51-year-old Caucasian male who died on June 3, 2025, while in the custody of the Wolcott Police Department.

On June 3, 2025, at approximately 12:59 a.m., Wolcott PD officers responded to 17 Dale Avenue on a report of a person “freaking out.” Police found Jackson outside the home in a highly agitated state. He was moving around, yelling gibberish, rocking back and forth. He appeared to be under the influence of some sort of substance. Emergency medical services were summoned to take Jackson to the hospital. Police put Jackson in handcuffs for his safety and the safety of others. He resisted. When EMS arrived, Jackson was still in an agitated state, and he was given an injection to calm him down. In the ambulance, while still at the scene, Jackson went into cardiac arrest and the EMT’s commenced CPR.

On the trip to Saint Mary’s Hospital in Waterbury, EMS continued to perform CPR. At Saint Mary’s, additional lifesaving efforts were attempted but unsuccessful. Jackson was pronounced deceased at 2:32 a.m.

The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner performed an autopsy on June 3rd. At present, the determination of Jackson’s cause and manner of death are pending further investigation.

Among the Wolcott police officers who responded to the scene was Officer Bryan Spiotti who had his body-worn camera activated. To see a portion of the camera recording, click [here](#).

The investigation is continuing.

