

Manistee Man Arrested for Stealing a Vehicle from a Gas Station

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WEXFORD COUNTY, MI. On Monday, April 10, 2023, at approximately 2:54 a.m. troopers from the Michigan State Police (MSP) Cadillac Post were responding to a call of a stolen vehicle from a gas station in Cadillac. The owner of the vehicle went inside the gas station and when he came out, his car was gone. As troopers were responding to the call, they diverted to a report of an abandon vehicle in the ditch at E 28 Rd and S 37 Rd. The driver side door was open, and nobody was around. While troopers diverted to the crashed vehicle, officers from the Cadillac Police Department reviewed surveillance footage at the gas station and were able to give troopers a description of the suspect. The vehicle in the ditch was the vehicle reported stolen from the gas station.

An MSP Canine Team was called to the scene and tracked the suspect, later identified as 32-year-old Alexander Dean Dumas from Manistee, hiding approximately 200 yards from the crash underneath two large bed sheets in the thick of pine trees. Dumas was arrested and lodged in the Wexford County Jail.

Dumas was arraigned in the 84th District Court in Wexford County on one count Unlawful Driving Away of Motor Vehicle, one count Malicious Destruction of Property over \$1,000 under \$20,000, Failure to Report a Crash, and Habitual Offender Fourth Offense Notice. He was given a \$25,000 bond. His next scheduled court appearance is on April 25, 2023, at 2:00 p.m.