

SHERIFF

J. D. “DOUG” DOUGHTIE

DARE COUNTY

PRESS RELEASE

March 12, 2026

On March 11, 2026, approximately 12:30 p.m., Deputies from B-District of the Dare County Sheriff's Office were notified of a stolen vehicle out of Virginia traveling towards Nags Head, NC. Deputies stopped the vehicle, and the operator was subsequently taken into custody.

Charles B. E. Smith, M/27, from Forest, VA was charged with the following:

*Felony Possession of a Stolen Motor Vehicle
(M) No Operators License*

Smith has been issued a \$15,000 secured bond in lieu of these charges. After communication with the originating agency, extradition warrants were obtained, and an additional \$35,000 secured bond was issued.

Additional Charges were filed by the North Carolina Highway Patrol.

The Nags Head Police Department also assisted with the incident.

The Dare County Sheriff's Office remains committed to upholding public safety and encourages anyone with information about criminal activity to contact local law enforcement.

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