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Roll-over Crash on I-94 Closes Freeway at Start of Rush Hour

Driver mistakenly states a 3-year-old child in car

Milwaukee, WI – Milwaukee County sheriff's deputies responded to a roll-over crash this morning on I94 westbound just west of 27th Street at about 5:25 a.m. A deputy traveling eastbound observed the vehicle on its side in the westbound distress lane. The driver of the vehicle had gotten out, and the engine compartment was on fire, with flames under the vehicle.

The 23-year-old woman said her three-year-old son was still in the car, but no child was found inside. Another deputy arrived and put out the fire. Deputies shut down the freeway and searched for the child. Milwaukee Fire Department righted the vehicle. The driver gave contact information for a day care center and a relative and deputies verified that the child was with a relative. The freeway was reopened at 6:50 a.m.

The driver declined medical attention, but was transported to Froedtert for precautionary measures due to the roll-over crash and possible head injury.

A witness saw the vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed, hit the median wall, cross all lanes of traffic, and roll over hitting an expressway sign and light pole before coming to a stop in the right distress lane. The driver was cited for Driving Too Fast for Conditions, Operating Without a Valid License, and Operating without Insurance.

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