Another Tesla on Autopilot Veers off New Jersey Highway, Strikes Curb and Signs: Police

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What to Know

- A man told police his Tesla, on autopilot, suddenly veered off a New Jersey highway Sunday, hitting a car and then some signs
- No one was hurt, but the car suffered heavy damage
- Tesla said its autopilot doesn't make a car autonomous but is an "advanced driver assistance system" that requires a fully attentive driver

A man involved in a messy crash off a New Jersey highway over the weekend told the cops his Tesla made him do it.

The driver, Eric Carter, told cops he had his car on autopilot as he moved along Route 1 in North Brunswick around dinnertime

Sunday, North Brunswick Police Capt. Brian Hoiberg told News 4.

Hoiberg said he meant to continue moving on Route 1, but his Tesla pulled hard to the right at the intersection near Adams Lane; it struck a curb, several signs, and came to rest on a grassy area to the side of the road, police say.

No one was hurt, though Carter's Tesla suffered heavy damage. Carter was the only witness, police say, adding they have no reason to "disbelieve that that's what happened," according to Hoiberg.

In a statement on their website, Tesla said its autopilot does not make a car autonomous, but is an "advanced driver assistance system" that requires "a fully attentive driver who has their hands on the wheel."