



Visitor Arrested with Contraband at Mid-State Correctional Facility

K9 and Handler Locate Synthetic Marijuana on Downstate Woman

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Marcy, NY – A Downstate woman was arrested for drug possession at Mid-State Correctional Facility after a K-9 officer's dog alerted to drugs in her possession. The woman was visiting a friend who is an inmate at the facility.

The incident occurred at approximately 8:40 a.m. on January 21, 2018 as the K-9 officer was conducting a routine search of the Visitor's Processing Center. During questioning, the woman surrendered five small, tied-off blue latex glove fingers to an investigator. The packages contained Synthetic Marijuana, commonly known as "K2." New York State Police were notified and responded to the facility. The woman was transported to the State Police Barracks for processing.

The woman was charged with Promoting Prison Contraband 2nd, Reckless Endangerment 2nd, and Section 229 of the Public Health Law. She was arraigned in Marcy Town Court and remanded to the Oneida County Jail pending bail.

"Inmate visitors continue to attempt to smuggle contraband into the state's facilities through the facility visitation rooms or via mail through the facility package rooms. Our staff and K9's do an outstanding job in keeping dangerous contraband out of the facilities but this latest arrest is another reminder that visitors will continue to try and smuggle drugs into the prisons. The contraband compromises the safety and security of inmates and staff in our correctional facilities. Additional steps must be taken to further secure the visitation rooms and to revamp the inmate package system in order to prevent contraband from finding its way into the hands of inmates." – Scott Carpenter, NYSCOPBA Central Region Vice President.