

## Synthetic Marijuana Seized at Marcy Correctional Facility

## **Drugs Hidden in Mailed Food Cans**

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**Marcy, NY** – An alert officer discovered over seven ounces of synthetic marijuana hidden inside of eight food cans that were mailed to an inmate at the medium security correctional facility.

On Thursday, October, 22, an officer was processing mailed packages in the processing room when he discovered abnormalities in four cans of tuna fish and four cans of Mexican food. The cans were opened and the officer discovered a green leafy substance wrapped in cellophane. The substance was tested and confirmed as synthetic marijuana, commonly known as the dangerous K2 drug.

The drugs, which were mailed from an address in New York City, were seized as evidence.

"The officer did an excellent job discovering a significant amount of K2. On numerous occasions we have seen inmates become extremely violent and combative when high on this drug. Officers have been injured trying to subdue inmates in those situations. Eliminating those seven ounces of K2 from getting into the hands of an inmate is important to the on-going safety of staff. Once again, this is a call for the Secure Vendor Program. With the Secure Vendor Program, drugs like this wouldn't stand a chance of getting inside of our prisons. DOCCS owes it to the safety of staff to reinstate it" – stated Bryan Hluska, NYSCOPBA Central Region Vice President.