



PRESS RELEASE

For immediate release:

Car Struck Applebee's in Derry, Serious Injury

At 0606 a.m. Derry Fire and Police Department were dispatched to 14 Manchester Road, Derry, NH, Applebee's Restaurant for a car into the building. Derry Police arrived on scene and reported entrapment. Derry Engine 3, Medic 1, Car 1 and because it was a car into a building Derry Engine 1, Derry Rescue 1, Heavy Rescue Trailer and Lumber trailer were dispatched.

Upon arrival crews observed a car into Applebee's with a single unbelted, entrapped occupant. There was extensive damage to the car and moderate damage to the building. Applebee's was unoccupied. Crews used extrication tools to open doors, cut posts, and cut the back of the drivers seat to extricate the driver. An air medical helicopter from DHART was called and sent to a landing zone adjacent to Parkland Medical Center.

Applebee's suffered moderate damage to a non-load bearing section of the seating area, the car did not breach the structure. Applebee's will be able to use the unaffected seating areas and can reopen as scheduled.

The patient was flown to Beth-Isreal in Boston with life threatening injuries.

Additional Remarks:

The accident is under investigation by the Derry Police Department. The attached photo is courtesy of the Derry Fire Department.

Incident #	<u>2019-4866</u>	Time of Alarm	<u>06:06</u>
Date of Incident:	<u>25 December 2019</u>	Time "Under Control"	<u>06:28</u>
Incident Address:	<u>14 Manchester Road, Derry</u>	Recall of Alarm	<u>07:08</u>

Fire Officer Submitting Release: *Battalion Chief Jack Webb* Date: *25 Dec 2019*

Signature of Fire Officer: _____

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