



Media Release

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Norwalk Post investigating two-vehicle fatal crash

Norwalk – The Norwalk Post of the Ohio State Highway Patrol is investigating a fatal crash that occurred on September 16, 2026, at 10:15 am in New Haven Township, Huron County. The crash happened at the intersection of State Route 61 and State Route 103.

The preliminary investigation showed a 2018 Toyota Tundra, operated by Edwin Lynch, 74, Willard, was eastbound on State Route 103. Mr. Lynch failed to stop at the posted stop sign at State Route 61 and struck a north bound 2025 Mack Pinnacle Semi Truck, operated by Eric Smith, 35, Mansfield.

Edwin Lynch suffered serious injuries at the scene. Mr. Lynch was later flown to Cleveland Metro Hospital where he was pronounced deceased on September 20, 2026. Mr. Smith was not injured in the crash. Mr. Lynch and Mr. Smith were both wearing their seat belts.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol was assisted by the Huron County Sheriff's Office, Willard Fire Department, North Central EMS, Cleveland Metro Life Flight, and White's Towing.

The intersection was temporarily closed for approximately one hour during the investigation. The crash remains under investigation.

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