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## Man named Champagne charged with felony DWI in La Porte

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**Kendall Joseph Champagne** 

Police say Kendall Joseph Champagne was intoxicated when he nearly crashed his car in La Porte early Wednesday. Champagne, 29, is charged with a felony count of DWI. An officer reported that he pulled Champagne over shortly after midnight Wednesday when he saw his red Chevy truck run a stop sign in the 2800 block of Underwood Road.

"The vehicle had not slowed down while traveling through the intersection and nearly crashed in the process," says La Porte Police spokesperson Sgt. John Krueger. Had he crashed, Krueger says, it would have been a single-car accident. Police say the truck kept swerving in the southbound lanes of Underwood, then struck the curb, before an officer pulled Champagne over. The officer reported that Champagne showed "multiple clues, indicating possible intoxication" during a field sobriety test.

According to a criminal complaint filed in Harris County Court, Champagne was convicted of DWI in October 2011 and again in April 2006, both times in Galveston County. Harris County Jail records indicate that Champagne is being held on \$10,000 bond.