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PRESS RELEASE

The Office of Inspector General together with the Connecticut State Police Western District Major Crime Squad, Wolcott Police Department, Bristol Police Department, Waterbury Police Department, and Waterbury State's Attorney's Office are investigating the in-custody death of Robert Scott Brown, age 52, of Wolcott, Connecticut.

On October 31, 2023, at approximately 3:45 a.m., Wolcott police officers responded to 8 Tyrell Drive on a report of a person experiencing a mental health crisis. Officers were directed to a bedroom in the house and found Robert Scott Brown lying on the floor covered in blood. He had two large wounds on his neck that appeared to be self-inflicted. He was obviously seriously injured and had suffered a significant loss of blood. When officers attempted to assist Brown, he became combative trying to push officers away holding a razor in his hand. He later brandished a saw blade. Officers attempted to engage Brown in dialogue in an effort to get him to drop the saw blade and allow medics to treat him. He continued to be uncooperative.

Eventually, through the use of a taser and the actions of multiple officers, Brown was taken into custody so that he could be treated by Emergency Medical Services (EMS). EMS transported Brown to Saint Mary's Hospital, Waterbury. He was pronounced deceased by Saint Mary's medical personnel at 5:04 a.m.

To view a portion of one of the Wolcott officer's body-worn camera depicting their interaction with Brown click [here](#).

The investigation is continuing.