

News Release

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Woman Charged with Child Neglect After Leaving Three Young Children Unattended in Vehicle

On July 15, 2026, at approximately 4:40 p.m., officers with the Aberdeen Police Department responded to Walmart, located at 645 S. Philadelphia Boulevard, for a report of young children left unattended inside a vehicle.

An off-duty police officer reported that three children, ages 4, 2, and 1, had been left alone in a running, unlocked vehicle for approximately 40 minutes while their mother shopped inside the store.

Officers contacted the children's mother, identified as 32-year-old Marium Khan Ghauri, from Abingdon, who stated she left the children in the vehicle because they were asleep.

Following the investigation, Ms. Ghauri was arrested and charged with Child Neglect. The children were released to the care and custody of their father.

The Aberdeen Police Department reminds parents and caregivers that leaving young children unattended in a vehicle, even for a short period, can place them at significant risk and may result in criminal charges.

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Marium Khan Ghauri