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Crowd became ‘confrontational and unruly’ at Revere Beach



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Several incidents, including a fight between two women, and a teenager who allegedly refused to turn down his music at the bandstand, led to the arrest of eight people among an unruly crowd of 300 Monday evening on Revere Beach, State Police said.

“They were blaring loud music, some of them were dancing on tables, many people were using foul language, and troopers detected a strong smell of burning marijuana. The group’s behavior was disturbing the peace and security of other visitors to the beach,” State Police spokesman Dave Procopio said.

Police arrested one woman who allegedly threw a can at another woman during an altercation, Procopio said in a statement.

According to State Police, when a trooper asked 18-year-old Kewan Burton-Strong to turn down the music, he smirked at the trooper,

shot an expletive in his direction, and turned the music up even louder.

“Burton-Strong began walking away with the music still blaring, continuing to help incite the disorderly environment. The trooper followed him, repeatedly telling him to turn the music down. After Burton-Strong continued to refuse to do so and began walking away faster, the trooper told him he was under arrest for disorderly conduct and began to take him into custody,” Procopio said.

The 18-year-old from Dorchester allegedly tried to run from the officer and pull his arm away as he was being handcuffed, State Police said.

“Several others ultimately were arrested as well for disorderly

conduct and other charges,” Procopio said, but he did not elaborate.

Authorities were able to disperse the crowd. Many of them continued to the Blue Line, State Police said.

According to MBTA Transit Police, one juvenile in the crowd was arrested on the train.

No injuries were reported from the incident.

The eight arrested Monday evening are expected to be arraigned Tuesday afternoon in Chelsea District Court.

Similar incidents happen at urban beaches during the summer, with typically one or two large incidents a year, Procopio said.

“They’re popular spots, and they tend to get very crowded. We want you to use the beach. You just can’t be a disturbance to others,” Procopio said in a telephone interview.



Eight people were arrested after brawl erupts at Revere Beach.