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§21–904.

(a) In this section, “visual or audible signal” includes a signal by hand, voice, emergency light or siren.

(b) If a police officer gives a visual or audible signal to stop and the police officer is in uniform, prominently displaying the police officer’s badge or other insignia of office, a driver of a vehicle may not attempt to elude the police officer by:

- (1) Willfully failing to stop the driver’s vehicle;
- (2) Fleeing on foot; or
- (3) Any other means.

(c) If a police officer gives a visual or audible signal to stop and the police officer, whether or not in uniform, is in a vehicle appropriately marked as an official police vehicle, a driver of a vehicle may not attempt to elude the police officer by:

- (1) Willfully failing to stop the driver’s vehicle;
- (2) Fleeing on foot; or
- (3) Any other means.

(d) (1) A driver may not commit a violation of subsection (b)(1) or (c)(1) of this section that results in bodily injury to another person.

(2) A driver may not commit a violation of subsection (b)(1) or (c)(1) of this section that results in death of another person.

(e) (1) In this subsection, “crime of violence” has the meaning stated in § 14–101 of the Criminal Law Article.

(2) A driver may not commit a violation of subsection (b)(1) or (c)(1) of this section while the driver is attempting to elude a police officer who is signaling for the driver to stop for the purpose of apprehending the driver for the commission of a crime of violence for which the driver is subsequently convicted.

(f) (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, a person convicted of a violation of this section is subject to:

(i) For a first offense, imprisonment not exceeding 1 year or a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or both; and

(ii) For a second or subsequent offense, imprisonment not exceeding 2 years or a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or both.

(2) A person convicted of a violation of subsection (d)(1) or (e) of this section is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 3 years or a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or both.

(3) A person convicted of a violation of subsection (d)(2) of this section is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 10 years or a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or both.

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