

= Delaware Route 300 =

Delaware Route 300 (DE 300) is an 11 @. @ 83 @-@ mile @-@ long (19 @. @ 04 km) state highway in Kent County , Delaware . The route is a continuation of Maryland Route 300 (MD 300) from the Maryland border near Everetts Corner . It runs in a northeast direction from there to Smyrna , where it ends at U.S. Route 13 (US 13) while concurrent with DE 6 . Along the way , DE 300 passes through rural areas as well as the towns of Kenton and Clayton . The road intersects DE 44 in Everetts Corner , DE 11 southwest of Kenton , DE 42 in Kenton , DE 15 between Kenton and Clayton , and DE 6 in Smyrna . The road was first built as a state highway in the 1920s and 1930s between the Maryland border and Clayton , with the DE 300 designation given to the road by 1936 . The route was extended to its current terminus in the 1950s .

= = Route description = =

DE 300 begins at the Maryland border , where it continues west into that state as MD 300 . From the state line , the route heads east on two @-@ lane undivided Sudlersville Road through agricultural areas and woods with some homes . A short distance after the state line , the road intersects the western terminus of DE 44 in Everetts Corner . DE 300 continues east @-@ northeast , intersecting the northern terminus of DE 11 . The route curves northeast , crossing an abandoned railroad line before entering Kenton . At this point , the road becomes Main Street and passes homes with a few businesses , intersecting DE 42 in the center of town .

Past Kenton , DE 300 continues northeast on Wheatleys Pond Road , passing through more farm fields with some woodland and residences . The road forms a brief concurrency with DE 15 before heading north . DE 300 enters Clayton , running northeast through industrial areas and crossing Norfolk Southern 's Delmarva Secondary railroad line . The route continues past a mix of homes and businesses , heading into Smyrna and intersecting DE 6 . At this point , DE 6 turns northeast and forms a concurrency with DE 300 on Glenwood Avenue . The road widens into a divided highway before it intersects US 13 in a business area . At this point , DE 300 ends and DE 6 turns southeast to form a concurrency with US 13 .

DE 300 has an annual average daily traffic count ranging from a high of 16 @, @ 120 vehicles at the eastern terminus at US 13 to a low of 1 @, @ 756 vehicles at the DE 11 intersection . The portion of DE 300 between the Maryland border and DE 44 is part of the National Highway System .

= = History = =

By 1920 , what is now DE 300 existed as an unimproved county road . The road was completed as a state highway between Kenton and Clayton and was proposed as one west of Kenton four years later . By 1931 , the entire route between Clayton and the Maryland border was completed as a state highway . DE 300 was designated between the Maryland border and an intersection with DE 6 between Clayton and Smyrna by 1936 . By 1954 , DE 300 was extended east to its present terminus at US 13 in Smyrna . By the 1990s , DE 6 was routed along DE 300 in Smyrna , bypassing the downtown area .

= = Major intersections = =

The entire route is in Kent County .