

= Delaware Route 42 =

Delaware Route 42 (DE 42) is a state highway in Kent County , Delaware . It runs from DE 6 in Blackiston east to DE 9 in Leipsic . DE 42 passes through rural areas along with the towns of Kenton and Cheswold . The route intersects DE 300 in Kenton , DE 15 between Seven Hickories and Moores Corner , and U.S. Route 13 (US 13) in Cheswold . The road was built as a state highway during the 1920s and 1930s . DE 42 was designated by 1936 between Kenton and Leipsic and extended to Blackiston by 1966 .

= = Route description = =

DE 42 begins at an intersection with DE 6 in Blackiston . Northwest of DE 6 , the road becomes Longridge Road , which changes names to Delaney Maryland Line Road and Clayton Delaney Road before it reaches the Maryland border and becomes Maryland Route 330 (MD 330) . MD 330 heads west into Kent County , Maryland and , by way of MD 313 , provides access to US 301 . From the western terminus , DE 42 heads southeast on two @-@ lane undivided Blackiston Road . The route runs through agricultural areas with some woods and homes . The road reaches Kenton , where it becomes Commerce Street . In Kenton , the route crosses an abandoned railroad line and passes residences , intersecting with DE 300 in the center of town .

Past Kenton , DE 42 heads to the east @-@ southeast on Seven Hickories Road into farmland with woods and residences . In Seven Hickories , the route intersects DE 15 and the two routes head east for a concurrency . In Moores Corner , DE 15 splits from DE 42 by turning southeast on Kenton Road . DE 42 continues east @-@ northeast to the south of Delaware Airpark . The route enters Cheswold , where it becomes Main Street . The road passes homes and some businesses in the town , crossing Norfolk Southern 's Delmarva Secondary railroad line . DE 42 reaches an intersection with US 13 on the eastern edge of Cheswold at Bishops Corner .

After the US 13 intersection , the route heads northeast on Fast Landing Road . DE 42 passes over the DE 1 toll road , where it has ramps for emergency vehicles but no public access . The road runs through farmland with some woodland and homes , curving to the east . Farther east , the route turns southeast into marshland adjacent to the Leipsic River . DE 42 enters the town of Leipsic where it heads east into residential areas and ends at DE 9 . Past the eastern terminus , the road continues east as Second Street .

DE 42 has an annual average daily traffic count ranging from a high of 8 @,@ 800 vehicles at the Commerce Street intersection in Cheswold to a low of 516 vehicles at the eastern terminus at DE 9 . None of DE 42 is part of the National Highway System .

= = History = =

By 1920 , what is now DE 42 existed as an unimproved county road . The road was completed as a state highway between Kenton and Lepisic four years later . The route was under construction as a state highway between Blackiston and Kenton by 1932 . By 1936 , DE 42 was assigned to its current alignment between DE 300 in Kenton and DE 9 in Leipsic and the state highway between Blackiston and Kenton was completed . By 1966 , the route was extended to Blackiston .

= = Major intersections = =

The entire route is in Kent County .