



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE

JUSTIN C. LUNDGREN

Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F23-068/K23-015
Incident Number: 2023-20244554
Date of Incident: 12/12/2023
Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers responded to a Domestic Violence (DV) Protection Order violation call. A victim reported that her ex-boyfriend contacted her; he is prohibited from contacting her based on a valid no-contact order. Officers developed probable cause to arrest the male suspect for Felony DV Order Violation. The violation was a felony based on prior convictions. Officers were granted a search warrant for the residence. They made numerous announcements over the PA system, advising the suspect of the signed search warrant and advising him he was under arrest. They gave commands to exit the residence, and use of force warnings, including the use of a K9 and chemical munitions. While searching the apartment, an officer observed the suspect throwing items into the apartment toward officers and swinging a six-foot wooden dowel around. Due to the threat, an officer deployed three rounds from his department-issued compressed air pepper spray gun (a less-lethal weapon), which had no observable effect on the suspect. Then the K9 officer deployed his K9 to apprehend the suspect. The suspect put the K9 in a headlock, but eventually the handler and K9 were able to gain control of the suspect. Officers were then able to place the suspect in handcuffs. After medical treatment for the K9 contact, the suspect was booked into jail for a felony violation of the protection order, 3rd Degree Assault, Harming a Police Dog, Resisting Arrest, and Obstruction.

Note: Incident F23-068 is the same incident as K23-015. The incident has two tracking numbers as each K9 incident is tracked separately.

