



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT
CHIEF OF POLICE
CRAIG N. MEIDL

Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C21-073 OPO Number: N/A

Date of Complaint: 9/28/2021

Allegation:

Demeanor – Policy 340.3.2 (K) Discourteous or disrespectful treatment of members of the public or this department.

Body Worn Camera Violation – Standard 3.4 Use of equipment and material safely and effectively.

Chain of Command Finding: Administratively Suspended

Final Discipline: None

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

On 09/28/21 complainant was in the downtown area. He alleges that he was confronted by an unknown person and assaulted. When he approached a police officer the officer would not turn on his body worn camera and would not summon a supervisor when requested. He was involved in an altercation and arrested by the officer.

COMPLAINT

The citizen contends that a police officer in the downtown area refused to turn on his body worn camera when requested. In addition, the allegation includes a failure to summon a supervisor when asked. The officer became agitated and then arrested the complainant. Complainant alleges an officer removed jewelry at jail injuring him and that jail refused to render medical aid.

INVESTIGATION

Internal Affairs reviewed the Body Worn Camera and written reports of the officers involved. It was confirmed that a criminal case was pending in regards to the incident. The administrative complaint overlaps with the criminal elements of the case. The complainant was referred to the jail regarding his complaint about their procedures.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION:

Internal Affairs conducted a preliminary review and the investigation has been administratively suspended pending the outcome of the criminal proceedings.

