



**SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
**CHIEF OF POLICE**  
**CRAIG N. MEIDL**

Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C23-046 OPO Number: N/A  
Date of Complaint: 5/3/2023  
Allegation: Demeanor, De-Escalation and BWC Violation  
Chain of Command Finding: Multiple  
Final Discipline: Verbal Counseling

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS:

The complainant was arrested and during the arrest became resistive. The complainant sustained some scrapes on her knees and wrists. The complainant also complained about the officer's demeanor and described it as unprofessional.

COMPLAINT:

The officer was allegedly unprofessional did not de-escalate the situation.

INVESTIGATION:

The Spokane Police Department Internal Affairs did a thorough investigation into the allegation. The I.A. investigator reviewed all pertinent material related to the incident, including body worn camera video from the responding officer. The investigator recognized the officer did not activate their body worn camera according to policy.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION:

The complaint was reviewed by the chain of command, and it was determined the officer violated the body worn camera policy and failed to properly de-escalate per policy. The demeanor complaint was not sustained. The officer was verbally counseled on the two sustained complaints..

