



# SPOKANE POLICE DIVISION

## CHIEF OF POLICE

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## Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F17-101  
Incident Number: 2017-20219625  
Date of Incident: 11/4/2017  
Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

### INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers responded to a report of man destroying the inside of a motel room with a large metal spike. The complainant reported that the male was destroying his room with an axe and that he was unstable due to drugs and schizophrenia. Once on-scene, officers saw the suspect swinging around the pipe/spike. The suspect refused to put it down and lay on the ground. Officers perceived the man's intent was to assault them or others with a deadly weapon. Officers deployed a TASER, but the first deployment was unsuccessful. A second TASER deployment caused muscular disruption, allowing officers to take the man into custody. Due to his mental state, the suspect was transported to the hospital via ambulance. A corporal later completed an affidavit requesting charges for felony Malicious Mischief.

