

SPOKANE POLICE DIVISION

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Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F18-044

Incident Number: 2018-20129407

Date of Incident: 7/20/2018

Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers responded to a Domestic Violence call. The caller reported a male and female were physically fighting. When officers arrived, the male was on the hood of the female's car with the female locked inside. Initially, officers were able to gain compliance from the suspect with verbal tactics, but he became agitated during the interview, taking an aggressive posture towards one of the officers. Two officers attempted to take arm control to detain him. The suspect used muscular tension to prevent the application of handcuffs, while verbally threatening to assault law enforcement. One officer applied a Level I Neck Restraint. The technique was effective in controlling the man so that officers could handcuff him safely. There were no injuries from the technique. Officers developed probable cause to arrest the male for assaulting the female. Officers booked the man into jail for Assault.

