



# SPOKANE POLICE DIVISION

## CHIEF OF POLICE

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## Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F18-045  
Incident Number: 2018-20129216  
Date of Incident: 7/5/2018  
Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

### INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers responded to a Person with a Weapon call. The caller reported someone was trying to break into her house. The caller was saying she would get a knife or bat if the police did not arrive soon. Someone in the background said something about a gun. An officer arrived and heard a female voice yelling that her kids were inside and they were hurt. He saw a male standing on the porch of the residence. As the officer approached the residence, the male kicked the front door, causing it to flex from the impact. The officer yelled at the male to come down off the porch. The male walked away from the porch. The officer demanded the man stop walking and get on the ground. The male did not comply. The officer showed his TASER device, while continuing to give commands, as the male was a suspect for burglary and assault. The male stood up to run, and ran towards the officer, but then turned away where he could escape through the gate. The officer deployed his TASER device toward the man, but it was not effective as only one of the probes made contact. The male continued to run. The officer gave chase and finally caught up to the male, knocking him to the ground. Other officers arrived and placed him into handcuffs. Officers interviewed witnesses. Because the male appeared to be under the influence of a substance (sweating heavily, intermittently verbally responsive), officers requested medics to check for a potential overdose as well as to remove the TASER probe. Officers arranged for his transport to the hospital for medical clearance. Officers booked the 16-year-old male into Spokane County Juvenile Detention Center on Burglary and Malicious Mischief charges.

