

## SPOKANE POLICE DIVISION CHIEF OF POLICE CRAIG N. MEIDL

## Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number:	F18-060
Incident Number:	2018-20190876
Date of Incident:	9/25/2018
Chain of Command Finding:	In Compliance with Policy

## **INCIDENT SYNOPSIS**

Officers responded to a Burglary in progress incident at a business. Officers attempted numerous verbal deescalation techniques in an attempt to have the suspect give up peacefully. The suspect verbally and physically demonstrated that he was going to fight with officers if they attempted to arrest him. While verbal de-escalation attempts were taking place, a third officer arrived on scene. Officers warned the suspect of the possibility of force and he still told officers he would fight them. He replied, "I'm not cooperating. F--- you. F------ go ahead, Tase me, I don't care." One officer deployed his TASER in probe mode, targeting the suspect's chest and belt line, but the TASER application was ineffective. The suspect then began aggressing on the second officer, running forward with fists clenched, so the third officer deployed his TASER in probe mode at the front of the suspect's body. The first application was ineffective so he applied a second five-second application with a follow up drive stun on the suspect's hamstring. The suspect kicked the officer during this application so the officer deployed a third and final five-second TASER application with a drive stun follow up to the suspect's calf. The application allowed officers to overcome the suspect's assaultive behavior and apply handcuffs. Officers requested medics to remove the TASER probes and booked the suspect for Burglary, Assault, Obstructing, Resisting Arrest, and Malicious Mischief.

