



SPOKANE POLICE DIVISION

CHIEF OF POLICE

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Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F19-025
Incident Number: 2019-20044604
Date of Incident: 3/14/2019
Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

An officer responded to a Domestic Violence (DV) call. The caller reported that a male and female were both intoxicated and were hitting each other. Witnessing family members identified the male and female parties who had left the area on foot. Dispatch confirmed the male had an outstanding felony warrant from another county in Washington State. An officer arrived on scene and contacted the subjects several blocks away from the original location. The male suspect ignored verbal commands and fled on foot. A short foot pursuit ensued with the officer apprehending the suspect, who was still actively resisting. The officer applied a Level I Lateral Neck Restraint to gain control of the suspect, but he was unable to gain control and feared an assault. The officer transitioned to a Level II application with the intent to render the suspect unconscious. The suspect relaxed and became compliant but did not lose consciousness. The officer transitioned back to a Level I application and waited for backup. Other officers arrived and helped place him in handcuffs. Medics evaluated the suspect on scene and cleared him for jail. The male suspect was visibly intoxicated and vomited several times on scene. Officers began the process to book him into jail for his warrant, Assault-DV, Resisting Arrest and Obstructing. While at jail, the suspect reported that he had been training in mixed martial arts and was urinating blood. Jail staff decided he needed to be transported to the hospital to be treated for unrelated injuries. A doctor at the hospital advised that he had a lacerated kidney and would need further treatment. Due to his medical condition, officers cited him and released him into hospital custody.

