



# SPOKANE POLICE DIVISION

## CHIEF OF POLICE

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## Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F19-055

Incident Number: 2019-20124441

Date of Incident: 7/5/2019

Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

### INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

An officer responded to a Suspicious Person call. The complainant gave a physical description of an intoxicated male who had approached him in the park and asked if he wanted to smoke a bowl of meth. When the complainant declined, the suspect tried to fight him. The officer located a male in the park that matched the suspect's description. The officer attempted to contact the male. The suspect ignored the officer's commands to stop and talk to him. The officer activated his vehicle's emergency lights and used the loudspeaker to advise him to stop. The suspect continued walking away and tossed a bag containing an unknown substance. The officer exited his vehicle and told the suspect to get his hands out of his pockets. The suspect started walking away, and the officer grabbed the suspect to detain him. The suspect resisted the officer's control tactics and became assaultive, pinning the officer's arms up against his back. The officer used his leg to deploy a Takedown Technique, tripping the male, and he was able to pull his arms out from the suspect's grasp. He told the suspect to stop fighting and applied a Level I Lateral Neck Restraint (LNR) to gain compliance. The suspect continued to fight and began pinching and scratching the officer's arm. The officer transitioned to a Level II application and applied pressure to render him unconscious. The officer was then able to place the suspect in handcuffs and end the confrontation. Medics cleared on the suspect on scene. Officers transported him to jail and booked him for Assault, Possession of a Controlled Substance, and Obstruction.

