



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE

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Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F21-032
Incident Number: 2021-20133911
Date of Incident 8/7/2021
Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers responded to a Domestic Violence Assault call. Prior to officers arriving on scene, radio advised that a female had been assaulted by her boyfriend. The female had a split lip from the assault. Once on scene, officers attempted to speak to the male party of the incident and he indicated that he did not wish to speak to officers. He subsequently began to interrupt the interview taking place with the female party of the incident. Once probable cause was established, the officers moved in and advised the suspect he was under arrest. They attempted left and right arm control while the suspect flexed his upper body and resisted their efforts. He pulled away from officers and once on the ground pushed himself up from a prone position while multiple officers attempted to hold him down. He grabbed one officer's leg during the struggle. An officer warned the suspect of the potential use of force, but the suspect continued his assaultive behavior. The officer deployed his TASER on the suspect. The TASER deployment was effective and allowed officers to quickly place the suspect in handcuffs. Medics checked on the suspect, removed the TASER probes, and he was booked into jail for Assault, Obstruction, and Resisting Arrest.

