

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F21-053

Incident Number: 2021-20215932

Date of Incident 12/17/2021

Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers responded to a Disorderly call at a store. A male was in the restroom at the location for over an hour yelling and screaming. Upon arrival, officers were able to develop PC for Trespass 1st. Officers attempted communication through the closed door. Officers were advised that the male said he may have a firearm. While officers were waiting for extra equipment (pepper balls and a K9), the male exited the restroom, screaming and covered in blood from self-inflicted injuries. Officers gave multiple commands for him to get on the ground. He failed to follow commands and approached officers with his hands in fists. It appeared he had a fixed blade or something in his right hand as he approached the officers. One officer deployed his TASER. The deployment was effective, and officers were able to take the suspect into custody. Officers started medical aid and medics took over treatment. An officer and a medic applied tourniquets to the lacerations on his legs. The suspect was transported to the hospital for treatment of his injuries and a mental health evaluation. A charging request was completed for 1st Degree Criminal Trespassing and Resisting Arrest.

