

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F22-003

Incident Number: 2022-20013551

Date of Incident 1/25/2022

Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers responded to an Assault call. The Fire Department checked on an unresponsive male at a business. While Fire was there, the male woke up and pulled a knife on one of the firefighters. The firefighters backed away and the male stayed where he was. Officers arrived on-scene and located the male suspect hiding behind a bin. Officers used their vehicles to provide cover, set up a Contact Team, and prepared less-lethal force options. Officers gave the suspect several commands, but he did not respond. A short time later, the suspect got up with the knife in his hand. At that point, officers deployed TASER and Pepper ball (pepper spray) launcher weapons. The male dropped the knife and was taken into custody. He was transported to the hospital and was medically cleared for booking. He was booked into jail for 2nd Degree Assault.

