

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F22-023

Incident Number: 2022-20075681

Date of Incident: 5/6/2022

Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers responded to a Domestic Violence call. Officers established probable cause to arrest the suspect for 3rd Degree Assault - DV. The suspect had hit his father in the back of the head with a wooden drawer. The drawer split in half from the impact and the victim had head trauma. The suspect refused to obey officers' commands. He threatened to stab officers with a metal walnut probe that had been secreted in his mouth. Officers attempted de-escalation techniques and were able to persuade him to put the metal probe away. Officers then closed the distance and gained arm control to handcuff him. The suspect resisted arrest and punched two officers in the face. Officers used TASER applications and palm heel strikes to control the suspect and take him into custody. The first two TASER applications were not successful, but the third attempt allowed officers to handcuff the suspect. He was taken to the hospital and then booked into jail for 2nd Degree Assault, 3rd Degree Assault, Malicious Mischief and Resisting Arrest.

