



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE

CRAIG N. MEIDL

Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F22-040

Incident Number: 2022-20123773

Date of Incident: 7/18/2022

Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

An officer responded to an Arson call. The caller reported that a male had lit a bush on fire. The officer began checking the area for the suspect. The officer located the suspect and told him to get on the ground. The officer attempted to detain the suspect. As the suspect refused to comply, the officer used an arm bar takedown technique to bring the suspect to the ground for prone handcuffing. The officer struggled with the suspect for several minutes but was finally able to secure him in handcuffs. During the takedown technique, the suspect's head struck the ground, and he sustained a small cut which bled profusely. The suspect also sustained an additional small scrape to his right elbow during the altercation. The suspect was booked into jail for 1st Degree Reckless Burning, 3rd Degree Assault, and Obstructing.

