



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE

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Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F22-045

Incident Number: 2022-20146038

Date of Incident: 8/20/2022

Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers responded to an Argument call. Upon arrival, they saw a female who was acting very erratic and aggressive. She began screaming at officers. Officers noticed she had a blade or dagger in her right hand and a razor blade in her left hand. She stepped up toward one of the officers. He drew his TASER, telling her to get back. She moved back momentarily. Officers told her she was not free to go while they were investigating a crime, but she did not comply. When officers tried to talk to her, she continued to pace and scream, while aggressing toward the one officer with the weapons in her hand. He repositioned himself, giving her space, and told her to stay back. A K9 handler arrived and announced that a K9 may be used, but it did not have any effect on the suspect. Officers were unable to gain compliance, even after telling her she was under arrest. As her behavior escalated, two officers deployed their TASERs. The TASER deployments had the desired result. The suspect fell to the ground, allowing officers to move in and handcuff her without further incident. Medics provided medical attention. The suspect was transported to the hospital for medical clearance. She was then booked into jail for 2nd Assault and Obstructing.

