

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: K22-007

Incident Number: 2022-20044104

Date of Incident: 3/16/2022

Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers responded to a domestic dispute. The suspect was reportedly high and being disorderly, causing his mother (who he lived with) to flee their residence. The suspect also had two Domestic Violence Assault with a Weapon warrants. The suspect's mother had medications in the residence she needed. Officers saw the suspect in the residence, but he refused to come out and show his hands. Officers obtained a search warrant to apprehend the suspect. They made announcements over the public address system to the suspect. The suspect hid behind the refrigerator in the kitchen. Officers were concerned that he would have access to weapons (knives) in the kitchen. The officers continued to give the suspect commands to come out and warned him that force would be used against him if he did not comply. The suspect said, "If I go down, you go down," and refused to come out. Officers shot OC pepper balls (pepper spray) at the suspect, but it had no effect on him. Officers gave him a chance to give up peacefully, but the suspect did not give up. Officers ultimately took the suspect into custody after using a Noise Flash Diversionary Device, a 40mm foam baton round and a police K9. Medics treated the suspect, who was transported to the hospital for treatment prior to being booked into jail for his warrants and Resisting Arrest.

Note: This incident is the same as F22-022. The incident has two tracking numbers as each K9 incident is tracked separately.

