

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F23-028

Incident Number: 2023-20105019

Date of Incident: 5/31/2023

Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

An officer made a traffic stop. A second officer arrived to assist. They contacted a female who had several warrants, including one for 4th Degree Assault-Domestic Violence. Officers informed her she was under arrest and took arm control to begin handcuffing her. The suspect actively resisted both officers, pulling away from officers and attempting to run away. Officers followed her and grabbed her arms, seating her on the ground. Once she was seated on the ground, she was compliant as they detained her in handcuffs. Officers walked her to the back of a patrol vehicle. She told them she was in the early stages of pregnancy and requested an ambulance because she was hurting. The officers requested medics to the scene and a supervisor due to the suspect's pain and possibility of an injury. Officers sent the suspect to the hospital to be evaluated. Due to the claim of pain, the officers' supervisor initiated a use of force investigation. The Chain of Command determined that the officers' actions were within policy. The standard handcuffing techniques officers used were reasonable to detain the suspect.

