



# SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

## INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE

### JUSTIN C. LUNDGREN

## Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F23-035  
Incident Number: 2023-10102424  
Date of Incident: 7/11/2023  
Chain of Command Finding: Not In Compliance with Policy

### INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Safe Streets Task Force members were attempting to take three car theft suspects into custody when the suspects fled on foot at the Spokane Valley Mall. One of the suspects openly displayed a replica firearm as he ran. Two other suspects also had replica firearms on their persons when they were taken into custody. A perimeter was established to take the third suspect into custody. He was located hiding under a tree just north of the westbound onramp to I-90. A detective briefly pointed his firearm at the third suspect who was not obeying commands. When the suspect complied with commands, the detective holstered his weapon. He placed the male in handcuffs. The male was booked into juvenile detention for Theft of a Motor Vehicle, 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Possession of Stolen Property, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Malicious Mischief.

The Chain of Command determined that the action of pointing a firearm at the suspect was not in compliance with policy. The detective received training on the department's firearm philosophy.

