



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE

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Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F23-050
Incident Number: 2023-20183421
Date of Incident: 9/13/2023
Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers responded to a Malicious Mischief call. A citizen had reported several shots coming from the neighbor's yard, and he found a bullet hole in his home. The officers approached the suspect location and looked in the window. They saw two males inside the house holding guns. When one suspect came outside, officers took him into custody. Once the male was detained in handcuffs, he became uncooperative, attempting to walk back to the house. With the second suspect in the home holding a weapon, the suspect's action exposed the officer and suspect to danger. The officer utilized a goose neck hold to the suspect's right wrist as pain compliance / control technique to get control of the male. Once both males were safely detained, officers finished their investigation. Officers were not able to establish probable cause for the shooting at the neighbor's house, but there was probable cause for Obstruction for the first male. Officers transported him to jail. The suspect was so uncooperative at jail that he failed booking and was restrained by jail staff in a holding cell. Later he was successfully booked for Obstructing. The suspect later complained of a wrist injury. Due to the male's complaint of injury, the Chain of Command reviewed the incident and found that the officer used a reasonable control technique to move the suspect to a safer location, given there was still a potentially armed suspect inside the house.

