

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: K23-011

Incident Number: 2023-20171135

Date of Incident: 8/28/2023

Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers responded to a Domestic Violence call. Officers took statements from the victim and several other witnesses, which ultimately resulted in probable cause to arrest the suspect for 2nd Degree Assault-DV and other charges. Officers learned the suspect was likely in the house or the detached garage and refused to exit. The residence and detached garage were surrounded, and additional resources were requested to include a K9. In the effort to take the suspect into custody, a search warrant for the residence/outbuildings was applied for and ultimately obtained. Officers attempted to de-escalate the incident over approximately two hours. These attempts included announcements from the public announcement systems within the police vehicles, several phone calls to the suspect, knock and announce, use of force warnings, arrest notifications, search warrant notifications. All the attempts were unsuccessful as the suspect refused to communicate with the officers. After several K9 warnings at the threshold of the man door to the garage, a K9 was used to search the building. The K9 located and apprehended the suspect within the garage structure. Officers were then able to safely take the suspect into custody. The suspect was transported to the hospital for treatment. He was booked into jail for 2nd Degree Assault-DV, 3rd Degree Malicious Mischief-DV, Harassment-DV, Obstructing, and Resisting Arrest.

