

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE JUSTIN C. LUNDGREN

Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F24-001

Incident Number: 2024-20004368

Date of Incident: 1/7/2024

Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers contacted a vehicle for trespassing in the parking lot of a church, that was clearly marked as a no trespassing area. The male in the driver's seat refused to cooperate with officers. Officers told him to get out of the vehicle. He refused. After he reached in the center console area, officers pulled him out of the vehicle. They used bodyweight techniques to take the suspect to the ground where he was handcuffed. The suspect complained of multiple injuries and claimed that officers slammed his head on the concrete. The suspect had no physical signs of injury at the scene, but officers photographed him and summoned medics. The suspect refused the cooperate with medics and complained of being dizzy. He was transported to the hospital in conjunction with a DUI-Physical Control investigation. Methamphetamine was visible in the suspect's car, so the vehicle was seized as evidence and a search warrant was completed. At the hospital, the suspect was cleared for jail, and the physician advised he did not have any injuries besides soreness and bruising from the struggle. The suspect was later booked into jail for Controlled Substance Possession, Vehicle Physical Control Drugs; 2nd Degree Criminal Trespass; and Obstructing.

