



# Jackson Police Department

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## SUMMARY OF USE OF FORCE INCIDENT AND FINDINGS BY THE JACKSON POLICE DEPARTMENT

### FORCE TYPE\*

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Soft hand techniques: Ground Stabilization

### DATE

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12/19/2020 2045 hours.

### REASON FOR CONTACT:

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On 12/19/2020 at approximately 2045 hours, Emergency Medical Services, officers of the Jackson Police Department and deputies of the Teton County Sheriff's Office responded to a medical assist regarding a possibly suicidal woman who was overdosing on controlled substances.

During medical call, the boyfriend attempted to attack a sheriff's deputy but fell on the slick cement floor. While officers were handcuffing the boyfriend, his father grabbed the deputy's ski buff (used as Covid mask) from behind and dragged the deputy six to eight feet, strangling the deputy. Two deputies and a police officer moved to stop the father. During a struggle, the police officer used a leg sweep to put the father on the ground where he was handcuffed and arrested. While seated in a chair the father later kicked one of the deputies in the groin.

Injury to arrestee: Unknown, no obvious injuries. Arrestee refused to cooperate with use of force review investigator.

Injury to officers: Teton County Sheriff's Deputy No. 1: Bruising on the neck, airway discomfort, soreness in back and neck. Diagnosed with neck contusion.

Teton County Sheriff's Deputy No. 2: Testicular pain.

### \*LEGEND

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Soft-hand techniques: Physical restraint and control holds to include ground and/or fixed surface stabilization.

Hard-hand techniques: Strikes, kicks, and throws.

Chemical agents: OC Spray or CS Gas.

Impact tools: Straight stick or expandable baton.

Improvised tools: Any object used in a sudden defensive encounter (flashlight, ticket book, etc.)

Less-lethal impact munitions: Drag stabilized bean bag rounds.

Conducted Energy Weapon: Taser

Knives: Deadly Force Option

Firearms: Deadly Force Option

Vehicles: Deadly Force Option