



Rhode Island Airport Corporation

Police Department

Use of Force Review for 2023

January 2nd, 2024

Chief Ottaviano,

I have completed a review of Use of Force (UOF) incidents for the Rhode Island Airport Corporation Police Department in 2023. There were four incidents requiring a UOF report in accordance with our Use of Force Policy (GO-300.10)

Of the four incidents requiring UOF reporting, only less than lethal force was used in the form of officer compliance techniques (restraints, takedowns, hands, arms, feet, legs) and one report required the use of O/C pepper spray gel to subdue a resistant subject. No impact weapons were used and no lethal UOF was presented or used by any member of the Airport Police in 2023.

In January 2023, our department conducted refresher training on less than lethal UOF tactics utilizing O/C Pepper Spray, the Expandable Baton, Hands On control techniques and Verbal De-escalation techniques in accordance with the Rhode Island Police Accreditation Commission standards for Less Lethal training every 2 years.

Respectfully,

David Shinskey
Police Inspector

