Police officer squirted in the eye by syringe

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CHEEKTOWAGA – A Cheektowaga Police Officer was treated at the hospital after he was squirted in the eye by a loaded syringe late Thursday afternoon.

Police says they stopped a blue GMC Sonoma along the 100 block of Eggert Road around 6 pm for Vehicle and Traffic Law violations. A further investigation found that the vehicle's registration was suspended.

While officers were doing an inventory of the car before it was impounded, an uncapped syringe loaded with a fluid squirted into one of the officer's eye.

"This was caused by the inadvertent pressure on the plunger as the officer placed weight on the car seat of the stopped vehicle," said Assistant Chief of Police Jim Speyer. "The officer was treated by AMR and sent to ECMC for further treatment and was released."

The substance inside the syringe was not immediately known.

Mr. Speyer says Eric Fix, 34, of Newstead Road in Akron, and Kelsey Krieger, 26, of Laverack Avenue in Depew were charged with Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance, Reckless Endangerment, and Possession of a Hypodermic Instrument. Mr. Fix was also charged with Operating a Motor Vehicle with a Suspended Registration.