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Answered 4 years ago. Assault IV is a gross misdemeanor in the state of Washington, punishable by up to 1 year in jail and a \$ 5000 maximum fine. The "DV" Classification stands for Domestic Violence and it describes an Assault IV that was comitted against a person with whom the defendant has a certain type of relationship.. such as being family members, romantically involved or married, or even roomates.

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People arrested for DV Assault IV are typically held in jail pending their arraignment. An arraignment is the first appearance in a criminal case and it is a process where the judge informs the defendant of their charge, the maximum and what their rights are (such as the right to an attorney). The judge will also decide whether the defendant should be released pending trial and what conditions (such as bail, electronic home monitoring, etc) if any, there should be. The judge will make a decision taking into account things such as ties to the community, safety of the alleged victim likelihood of flight, and other factors.