Springs man accused of GPS stalking

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COLORADO SPRINGS — Michael Carlson is being held on $3,000 bond for stalking his wife — with a satellite GPS.

He was arrested Friday after an argument with his wife when he blurted out that he knew where she was going because he had planted a transceiver in her car.

As far as police could recall, it was the first arrest here for stalking with a GPS, said Sgt. Tim Stankey.

The transceiver, about 4 inches long and 3 inches wide, was powered by the car battery and recorded everywhere she went, Stankey said.

Carlson’s wife’s name was not released.

The Stalking Resource Center at the National Center for Victims of Crime says GPS stalking is a growing problem around the country.

Basic GPS devices, once sold for $1,000 or more, now are advertised on the Web for as low as $400.