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Mobile in her throat: Boyfriend calls police

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Blue Springs (Missouri), December 24: It was a conversation stopper. A lovers' dispute over a cell phone took a serious turn early on Friday morning, when the woman ended the spat by swallowing the phone.

Police said they received a call at 4:52 am from a man, who said his girlfriend was having trouble breathing. When they arrived at the house they found the 24-year-old woman had a cell phone lodged in her throat.

"He wanted the phone and she wouldn't give it to him, so she attempted to swallow it," detective Sgt Steve Decker of the Blue Springs police department said on Friday.

"She just put the entire phone in her mouth so he couldn't get it." Police said an ambulance transported the woman to St Mary's Medical Centre in Blue Springs.

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A hospital spokeswoman said she could not give details about the woman's health since police have not released her identity. Decker said police had closed investigations on the swallowing case, the first such incident of its kind here, "this is the first I've heard of this happening. I don't know what kind of phone it was. I don't know if it was on ring or vibrate, either," said Decker.

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