



Ann Arbor Police Department Citizen Police, Fire & Courts Academy



Ride Along Waiver & Rules

1. I, _____ of _____, do hereby request permission to ride in Ann Arbor Police Department vehicles with officers who are on duty for the purpose of direct observation of police work.

2. This request is made to further my understanding and broaden my knowledge in the field of law enforcement.

3. I understand that participation could be hazardous and that personal injury or property damage could occur during the course of my participation and I hereby specifically assume any such risk and specifically waive any rights I now have or may hereafter acquire against the City of Ann Arbor or the Ann Arbor Police Department or the officer of the Ann Arbor Police Department for any personal injury or property damage that might occur in the course of, or as a result of, my participation in this program.

4. I further agree to utilize the seat belts provided in the police department vehicles.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Signature: _____

Witness: _____

Date: _____

Officer to Whom Assigned: _____

WHILE RIDING, YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO FOLLOW THE BELOW LISTED RULES:

1. You will be assigned to a single unit whenever possible.
 - a. Police officers' wives/husbands requesting to ride will be assigned to a single unit with their spouse.
 - b. Manpower permitting, it will be as a second area unit .
2. You will follow the directions of the officer you are assigned with, such as staying in the patrol vehicle, returning to it or going to or remaining at another designated place during any perceived hazardous police action.
3. Do not use the police radio, except for exigent circumstances; e.g., to summon help in an emergency.
 - a. You will be assigned a portable radio for use in emergency circumstances. The operation of the portable radio will be explained to you by the officer with whom you are assigned.
4. You will not become involved in any enforcement action, except as a last resort aid to the patrol officer who, without immediate help, would sustain injury or loss of life.
5. Law enforcement officers from other agencies who are lawfully permitted to carry firearms while in the State of Michigan are authorized to be armed while riding as an observer with an Ann Arbor patrol officer. These officers will be subject to the firearms policy, if any, of their assigned department which govern carrying and use of firearms. These officers are fully governed by all other rules of this order applying to observers.
6. Any questions concerning an officer's actions in the performance of his/her duty shall be taken up with the Duty Command Officer.
7. Upon completion of the tour of duty with an observer, the Duty Command Officer will forward the signed liability waiver to Records, unless significant problems were encountered during observer. In this case, the form will be forwarded to the Chief's office, along with a memo explaining the circumstances.

Ride-a-longs are available from 6:45AM-11AM, 3:45PM-7PM, and 6:45PM-11PM.

To request a ride-along with Ann Arbor Police you must contact Duty Command at (734) 794-6921 and not have a criminal history.