



Bolivar Police Department

Civilian Ride-Along Form



The Bolivar Police Department is honored that you want to set aside a time to ride along with a police officer. If this is your first time, we hope that it is an interesting and rewarding experience, and also one that helps you more fully understand and appreciate the daily routine and demands of a police officer. For your safety, you must read, understand, and abide by the following guidelines.

1. You must fill out this form and be informed of approval to ride prior to riding, to include spouses or significant others.
2. You must be 18 years of age or older, unless cleared by the Chief of Police.
3. **Each** request to ride requires a new form to be filled out and approved prior to riding.
4. No weapons of any kind are to be in your possession.
5. You must always wear a seatbelt while riding in the patrol car.
6. You must remain in the patrol car during traffic stops or possible violent calls for service unless an emergency arises and the officer deems it necessary for you to exit the patrol car.
7. Do not handle or attempt to operate any of the equipment in the patrol car.
8. If a person is arrested or detained and is transported in the patrol car, you will need to follow the officer's instructions exactly.
9. If the officer must respond to a "Highly Hazardous" situation such as an Armed Robbery, you will be asked to "Exit" the patrol car "Immediately." After the situation is resolved, the officer will return to your location to pick you up.
10. If approved, ride along will only be able to ride a maximum of 3 times per calendar year.
11. Ride along times is from 0800-2300, not to exceed an 8-hour day.

Note....Any violation of these guidelines after approval will result in the request that you leave the patrol car immediately, and possibly the denial to ride again in the future.

I _____ Understand these guidelines and will abide by them.
(Please print)

Age _____ Date of Birth _____ Social Security No. _____

Address _____ Phone No. _____

Date and time, you are requesting to ride: _____

Officer requesting to ride with: _____

ASSUMPTION OF RISK - RELEASE AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE

The undersigned hereby assumes full responsibility for and risk of bodily injury, death, or property damage due to the negligence of the employees of the City of Bolivar, or otherwise, while participating in this ride along. The undersigned hereby releases, waives, discharges and covenants not to sue the City of Bolivar, its employees, agents, and officials, from all liability which would otherwise accrue to the undersigned, and the undersigned's personal representative, assigns, heirs and next of kin, for any loss, injury or death suffered by the undersigned prior to, during or following the ride along.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Any Division Lieutenant or the Chief of Police will review, then approve or disapprove your request. You may check back after 5 working days for the date and time you are scheduled to ride. You may be requested to come to Police Headquarters for a brief interview.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Approved by: _____ Date _____

Officer's signature _____ Date and Time person rode _____