

MINNEOTA POLICE RIDE-A-LONG PROGRAM REQUEST FORM AND WAIVER

I, the undersigned, hereby request permission to ride in a police vehicle of the City of Minneota, at such times and in such areas as may be approved by the Chief of Police or his designated representative. I understand that the police vehicle will be engaged in normal police patrol and law enforcement activities, some of which may be dangerous and expose passengers to risk or harm. I acknowledge this risk of harm and voluntarily accept it, hereby releasing the City of Minneota, the Minneota Police Department, the individual officers and employees of the City of Minneota from any liability which might result from my participation in this program. I give permission to have my background checked for criminal history. I agree to the rules and instructions listed on the back of this form.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

NOTE: Applicants under eighteen (18) years of age must have this form read and signed by their parent or guardian prior to any participation in this program. The ride-along program is generally open to persons who are at least fourteen (16) years of age.

PERMISSION OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

I, the undersigned, being the parent or guardian of _____ hereby join with him/her in requesting permission for him/her to ride in a police vehicle as aforesaid and do join with him/her in granting a release and discharge to the City of Minneota, the Minneota Police Department, the individual officers and employees of the City of Minneota, as set out in detail above.

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____

In case of emergency notify: _____ Phone: _____

PLEASE PRINT THE FOLLOWING REQUIRED INFORMATION

Full Name of Applicant: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____ Email Address: _____

Driver's License #: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Dates preferred Times Preferred
(Please allow 2 weeks to process)

1st _____

2nd _____

3rd _____

I would like to ride with Officer: _____

School attending/Occupation: _____

Background Check: _____ Date: _____

Officers Signature

The Ride-Along participant must agree to abide by the following rules of conduct

- Observers shall, at all times, remain under the complete control of the assigned officer and comply with all directions.
- Observers shall not interfere with investigations in any way by conversing with victims, suspects, or witnesses unless directed by the assigned officer.
- The observer must be of good character, not likely to endanger the safety of the public or the officer.
- Minors must have a waiver form signed by parent or guardian.
- The participants' attire must be neat, clean and conservative. The observer shall not wear any type of clothing, jacket, or baseball cap with a logo that might suggest the he or she was a police officer.
- No alcoholic beverages on breath or consumption of same while participating in the Ride-Along program.
- All cameras and recording devices are prohibited.
- No firearms or other weapons may be carried, unless the participant is currently a licensed active police officer with another jurisdiction in the State of Minnesota.
- The observer shall be in good health. No persons with severe colds or illnesses will be permitted to Ride-Along.
- Observers must remain in the patrol car at all times unless told to do otherwise by the host officer.
- Observers must wear a seat belt when the vehicle is in motion.
- Observers must not become physically or verbally involved in any incident.
- Bring a meal, or money to purchase a meal.
- In the event of a serious situation, the officer will ask you to wait in a secure and safe place.
- Any information overheard regarding a criminal investigation is confidential in nature and the observer shall not discuss that information with anyone.
- Citizens 16 years of age and older may ride;
- The applicant must not have participated in a Ride-Along for the past 90 days;
- The participant must be willing to ride for a minimum of four (4) hours.