

RIDE ALONG WITH A EUGENE POLICE OFFICER!



Read and sign both sides of this form. Turn it at the Eugene Police Department 300 Country Club Rd or 960 Olive St. If you have arranged a ride directly with an officer, please indicate this below, fill out the rest of the form, and have the officer complete the bottom section. Ride-alongs are arranged on a first-come, first-served basis, and it may be several days before someone contacts you. Questions? Please call the ride-along coordinator at 541-682-8332



**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY AND LEGIBLY.
ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED.**

Name: _____ Today's Date: _____
(first) (middle) (last)

Address: _____ Home Phone: _____ Cell/Message Phone: _____

Employer/School: _____ Work Phone: _____ Email: _____

Birthdate: _____ Social Security No.: _____ Driver's License No.: _____ State: _____

Please describe any current medical problems for which you are being treated, past medical problems the police department should know about, or any potential issues that might interfere with your entering and exiting a patrol car: _____

List two people who can be notified in case of emergency:

1. _____
 2. _____
- (name) (relationship) (address) (phone number)

I AM CURRENTLY SCHEDULED to ride with an officer: _____
(officer's name) (ride date) (ride time)

I AM NOT YET SCHEDULED. My available days and times: _____

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE (why do you want to ride with a Eugene Police officer?): _____

The Eugene Police Department requires a criminal background check in order to establish security clearance for a rider. **Your signature indicates your knowledge and consent for this background check. Your signature also acknowledges that you agree to behave and dress in a clean and appropriate manner and that you agree to keep confidential any privileged/confidential information to which you are exposed.**

(rider's signature) (parent/guardian signature if rider is under 18 years old) (date)

The following information is requested for statistical purposes only. The information is voluntary—your answers or choice not to provide answers will have no effect on your observer status.

Sex: _____ Age: Under 21 21-39 40+
 Caucasian African-Am. Native Am. Latino/a-Am. Asian-Am. I prefer not to provide the information requested

PLEASE SEE OTHER SIDE. BOTH SIDES OF FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED.

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

Must be completed prior to ride-along.

INITIATED BY: Prev/Ed _____ Patrol _____
 CPA _____ PIO _____ Applicant _____

Background completed by: _____ Date: _____ Approved Denied
 Date assigned: _____ Time assigned: _____ Officer assigned: _____ Applicant notified (d/t): _____

Supervisor's signature: _____ Date: _____

RELEASE AND AGREEMENT OF INDEMNIFICATION

This document is a Release and Agreement of Indemnification entered this _____ day of (month) _____, 20____, between (your name) _____, hereinafter referred to as the Undersigned, and the City of Eugene, a municipal corporation of the State of Oregon hereinafter referred to as the City.

RECITALS

The City is willing to allow the Undersigned the opportunity to ride with and accompany a police officer while in the performance of the officer's duties, such ride being for the purpose of observation.

The Undersigned knows, understands and appreciates the inherent risks to himself/herself in riding with and accompanying a police officer, and the Undersigned does not wish to hold the City of Eugene, its Chief of Police, police officers, employees, agents, representatives, or other law enforcement or City personnel responsible for any harm or injury.

The Undersigned wishes to deliberately and voluntarily expose himself/herself to all inherent risks and to personally assume the risk of any injuries or damage arising out of or occurring while preparing for, departing from, or riding with or accompanying a police officer in a City police vehicle while in the performance of the officer's duties.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City agrees to make available to the Undersigned an opportunity to ride as an observer in a City police vehicle with a police officer of the City of Eugene.

The Undersigned, in consideration of the benefit to him/her, releases from any and all liability and agrees to indemnify and to save and hold harmless the City of Eugene, the Chief of Police, all police officers, the Eugene Police Department, and all agents and personnel of the City of Eugene, from any and all liability, cost, expense, claim, or damage which might otherwise be claimed by the Undersigned or his/her heirs, successors, or assigns, on account of any injury to the person or property of the Undersigned of whatsoever kind arising directly or indirectly out of this observation ride, including but not limited to:

- (1) Automobile accident, no matter what driver may be at fault;
- (2) Any injuries arising from any fight, brawl, altercation, riot, or other incidents;
- (3) Any other injuries which may be sustained by the Undersigned at any time while riding with or accompanying a police officer.

It is not the intention of the Undersigned to, and the Undersigned does not, hereby release any other person who inflicts any injury to the person or property of the Undersigned while the Undersigned is participating as an observer.

The Undersigned further states that he/she has carefully read the foregoing Release and Agreement, and understands the contents thereof and signs this Release as his/her free act.

Rider's signature

CITY OF EUGENE
A Municipal Corporation of the State of Oregon

Parent/guardian's signature if rider is under 18 years of age



EUGENE POLICE DEPARTMENT CITIZEN RIDE-ALONG PROGRAM INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS



The Eugene Police Department's Citizen Ride-Along Program was initiated in an effort to bring the police department and the community closer together. One way of accomplishing this is to allow interested community members an opportunity to ride with a Eugene Police officer during a portion of his/her regular shift. Prior to approval, a criminal background check will be completed. Any record revealed will be reviewed per Eugene Police Department policy.

The safety of participants is the police department's main concern. Partly in order to provide optimum safety to participants, the following rules have been established:

1. Residents 16 years of age or older may ride with a police officer.
2. The appropriate waiver/release form must be filled out and signed prior to riding, with no exceptions.
3. The date and time for a participant's ride-along will be set by the program coordinator after approval of the application. Every effort will be made to schedule participants during one of their preferred times.
4. Because of the active response to this program and limited availability of ride-along slots, ride-alongs are limited to four times per calendar year (every 3 months) per person.
5. Participants are asked to check in at the lobby of the Eugene Police Department (300 Country Club Rd) punctually at their scheduled ride-along time. Participants may have to wait for some time, and may want to bring along reading material or other items to help pass the time.
6. Ride-along participants are required to dress in a neat and appropriate manner. All participants are asked **NOT** to wear all-black clothing, shorts, sweatshirts, blue jeans or open-toed shoes. Appropriate dress would consist of dress pants, dress or sport shirt, sweater or jacket, and appropriate footwear. *A ride-along may be denied if the participant's clothing is deemed inappropriate.*
7. Participants may be exposed to privileged/confidential information and must agree not to discuss such information with anyone.
8. Participants must wear a designated "Observer" badge that will be issued by the assigned ride-along officer and returned to the Eugene Police Department's front counter at the completion of the ride.
9. Cameras and recording equipment may not be taken or used during the ride unless approved by command staff and the assigned officer.
10. Participants are asked to bring a cellular phone or change for a pay phone in case an emergency situation (e.g. robbery, riot, pursuit) leads to the early cancellation of the ride-along. Ending the ride-along is at officer discretion.
11. While riding with an officer, participants will remain with the officer at all times, unless otherwise directed, and will obey without hesitation any and all instructions/directions given by the officer.
12. A participant's ride may be denied or limited by command staff or the assigned officer if the above requirements have not been met or for any unforeseen circumstances.