

# RIDE-ALONG PROGRAM

Welcome to the Minneapolis Police Department's Ride-Along Program. All participants must read and sign the Release and Indemnity Agreement prior to going on a Ride-Along.

## RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the undersigned participant, or the custodial parent or legal guardian on behalf of a person under age eighteen (18) has voluntarily elected to ride as a passenger in the Police Department vehicles of the City of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota, and to accompany police officers of said City while engaged in the performance of their duties, to study and observe for participation's own benefit the functions and operations of the Minneapolis Police Department and its personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Minneapolis Police Department believes that it can be beneficial for persons under age eighteen (18) to participate in the ride-along program as part of an approved Department youth program with the approval of a custodial parent or legal guardian; and

WHEREAS, the Minneapolis Police Department and the party(s) to this Agreement understand that during the course of a ride-along, Department personnel may have to respond to an emergency situation requiring the performance of law enforcement duties which could expose the ride-along participants to a risk of personal injury; and

WHEREAS, such ride-along participant(s), or the custodial parent or legal guardian of a participant under the age of 18, understands the existence of such risk, even though department personnel will make a reasonable effort to minimize such risk to the participant(s); and

WHEREAS, the undersigned participant, or custodial parent or legal guardian if the participant is a minor under the age of 18, desires to participate in the ride-along program at the participant's own risk and recognizing the possible and inherent danger resulting therefrom; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the value of the educational opportunity to participate in the ride-along program, and other good and valuable consideration, the undersigned participant, for himself (or herself), his wife, (or her husband), heirs, executor or administrator, and personal representatives; or the undersigned custodial parent or legal guardian on behalf of a participant under the age of 18, does hereby:

- (a) Assume full responsibility for any personal injury or damage to the participant or minor participant, or damage to the participant's personal property, which may occur, directly or indirectly, while in, on or about any such Police Department vehicle, the Police Department premises or any part thereof at the Minneapolis City Hall or the Hennepin County Courthouse, or any of the several precinct station houses of the Minneapolis Police Department, or while accompanying any police officers of the City of Minneapolis while in the performance of their duties;
- (b) Fully and forever release and discharge the City of Minneapolis, its agents and employees, from any and all claims, demands, damages, rights of action, or causes of action, present or future, whether the same be known, anticipated or unanticipated, resulting from or arising out of participation in the ride-along program, including, but not limited to, the participant or minor participant being in, on or about any such Police Department vehicle, or at any or all of the premises and places aforesaid, or while accompanying any police officers of the City of Minneapolis as aforesaid;
- (c) Indemnify and hold harmless the City of Minneapolis, its agents and employees, for any acts or conduct of the participant or minor participant of whatever kind or nature whatsoever, while in, on or about any such Police Department vehicle, or at any or all of the premises and places aforesaid, or while accompanying any such police officer as aforesaid;
- (d) Agree to defend and to pay any costs or attorney's fees as a result of any action brought by or against the City of Minneapolis, its agents and employees, while the participant or minor participant is in, on or about any such Police Department vehicle, or at any or all of the premises and places aforesaid, or while accompanying any such police officer as aforesaid;
- (e) State that the participant is as of the date of execution hereof, of the age of eighteen (18) years or that the person executing this Agreement on behalf of a minor participant is the custodial parent or legal guardian of the minor participant;
- (f) Agree that it is the intent of the undersigned participant, or custodial parent or legal guardian, that this Release and Indemnity Agreement be in full force and effect at any time after the execution thereof.

Release and Indemnity Agreement Prepared by Minneapolis City Attorney, February, 1992  
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**PARTICIPANT INFORMATION**

Name (last, first and middle):		Birthdate:	Telephone Number:	
Mobile Number:		Email Address:		
Street Address:	Apt #:	City:	State:	
Occupation:				
Reason for or purpose of ride:				
Signature of Participant:			Date:	

**IF PARTICIPANT IS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, THE FOLLOWING SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED BY CUSTODIAL PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN**

Name (last, first and middle):		Birthdate:	Telephone Number:	
Mobile Number:		Email Address:		
Street Address:	Apt #:	City:	State:	
Occupation:				
Signature of Parent/Guardian:			Date:	

MPD program name or, if exception, Chief/DC, patrol or designee's approval signature:	
MPD program supervisor's approval signature (includes validating parent/guardian's approval):	Employee Nbr:
MPD witness signature (other than above signature):	Employee Nbr:

**MPD REVIEW AND PERMISSION**

Permission is hereby  granted  denied to the person named herein, and whose signature is affixed above, or if a minor under 18, the signature of the custodial parent or legal guardian, to be a passenger in a Police Department vehicle with the

Precinct/Division/Unit, on the Day of 20 From hr To hr

Signature of MPD supervisor (includes review and permission):	Date:	Rank:	Title or Assignment:	Employee Nbr:
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**VOLUNTARY ACCEPTANCE OF RIDE-ALONG PARTICIPANT**

I/we, the undersigned, do hereby accept as a participant in the Ride-Along Program the person described herein.

Signature:	Employee Nbr:	Signature:	Employee Nbr:
Date:	Squad Assignment:	Or Vehicle P Nbr:	

MPD Notes:
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