

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

For and in consideration of the undersigned being given the opportunity of observing police operations and functions of the Village of Addison Police Department by riding in a car operated by members of the Police Department and by any and all other means of observation whatsoever, the undersigned, in order to avail himself/herself of said opportunity, recognizes and assumes any and all risks pertaining thereto, and hereby releases the Village of Addison, its officials, officers, and all other personnel of the Village of Addison of any and all liability whatsoever for any injuries, damages and claims the undersigned, his heirs, or dependents may sustain in and about any patrol car or in any other way during the course of the observation and studies by the undersigned of the operations and function of the Village of Addison Police Department. I also authorize the Addison Police Department to run a criminal history check as part of the pre-ride-along background investigation. I agree to abide by the terms and conditions of the "Guidelines for Ride-Along Participants" on the reverse side of this Release and Waiver of Liability.

Persons eligible to be considered for a ride-along are police department volunteers (including participants in the CERT program), persons currently on Addison Police Department employment eligibility lists, social service interns, and Addison Police Department employee family members and/or friends.

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| Signature of Participant | Date |
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| Signature of parent (if the participant is under the age of 18) | Date |
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Full Name _____

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| Last | First | M.I. | D.O.B. |
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Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Reason for observing police activity _____

Referred by _____

Preference for an officer? Yes or No Officer's Name _____

Reason for preference? _____

For Office Use Only

Waiver obtained by: Records, Officer, or Walk-Up (circle one)

Request approved on _____ By _____

The applicant was allowed to ride in Unit _____ From (time) _____ To _____

On (date) _____ With Officer _____

Guidelines for Ride-Along Participants

- Generally, the Ride-Along program is for those having a legitimate purpose relating to Law Enforcement, such as: police department volunteers (including participants in the CERT program), persons currently on Addison Police Department employment eligibility lists, social service interns, Addison Police Department family members and/or friends.
- Generally, one Ride-Along per year per person will be permitted.
- “Business casual” is the accepted style of dress for a participant.
- The Shift Supervisor will have the responsibility to enforce this dress code. The Shift Supervisor shall have the discretion to refuse or postpone participating in the program if the participant is not properly dressed.
- Participants are strongly encouraged to wear a spare ballistic vest.
- Participants shall not possess or carry any firearms, batons, knives, or other dangerous weapons while participating in the program. Sworn police officers are exempt from this requirement, but must notify the officer they are riding with that they are armed and possess proper identification and acceptable clothing with POLICE markings. In addition, the Shift Supervisor must be notified.
- Participants will not accompany an officer on a call which by its nature (factually or inherently) poses a possible risk of exposure to injury to the participant. During these calls, participants must remain in the squad car. These types of calls may include, but are not limited to:
 - Calls that suggest violence has or is going to occur
 - Calls where there is the possibility of an arrest occurring
 - Calls where the officer believes there is a risk exposure
 - Traffic stops
 - Alarm investigations
 - High-speed pursuits
 - Calls that would be considered confidential in nature

Participants shall NOT be permitted to:

- Take photographs, video, or record sound during the ride-along unless prior permission has been obtained from a Watch Commander or Deputy Chief.
- Converse with prisoners, suspects, witnesses, or other parties contacted on police business unless requested by the host officer.
- Enter a crime scene or handle evidence.
- Use department equipment including but not limited to radios and computers (desktop or in-car), without permission.
- Discuss any police activity that is considered confidential: to include dissemination of LEADS information, names of victims, or crimes involving juveniles.