



# Taylor County

## Board of County Commissioners'

### Policy Manual

5.11

Policy #:	Title:	Effective Date:
2009-11	Ride Along Program	03/17/09

#### PURPOSE

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To establish general guidelines for ride along program. This program will allow citizens the opportunity to observe Animal Control Officers in the field performing day to day operations. This program will also allow citizens to better understand the responsibility of proper animal care and treatment.

#### REFERENCE

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None

#### POLICY

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If a citizen requests to join the Taylor County Animal Control Ride Along Program, a Volunteer Packet is to be completed per the Volunteer Policy. Once the application has been approved and the individual successfully passes the background investigation a schedule may then be set. An individual wishing to ride must give advance notice of 24 hours in order to guarantee a time in the following days schedule. At no time shall there be more than one individual participating as a ride along in an Animal Control Vehicle.

Individuals participating in the Ride Along Program must abide by all County Policies. At no time may the individual take on Animal Control responsibilities other than what is requested by the Animal Control Officer. Any violation of County Policy may result in the termination of the individual's participation in the Ride Along Program.

#### RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT

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Environmental Services Department – Animal Control

**Sunset Date: None**