



City of East Ridge  
Police Department  
4214 Ringgold Road  
East Ridge, TN 37412

## Request for Participation in the Ride-Along Program

Date of Request: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn Law Enforcement  Civilian, Non-Sworn Law Enforcement  Civilian, Non Law Enforcement

Requested Date for Ride Along: 1<sup>st</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number (Required for Background Check): \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for participation in Ride-Along Program: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Background Information:

1. Have you ever been arrested for, or convicted of, a crime:  Yes  No

2. If yes, what was the crime with which you were charged and/or convicted of: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. What was the outcome? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Are you presently on parole and/or probation?  Yes  No

***Your information will be verified prior to your participation in the program. Felony or serious misdemeanor arrests may prevent your participation in the program. I understand that false statements will disqualify me from participation in the Ride-Along Program.***

ALL RIDE-ALONG REQUESTS MUST BE APPROVED PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THE RIDE-ALONG BY A CAPTAIN OR ABOVE. A COPY OF THE RIDE-ALONG FORM SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE ASSISTANT CHIEF.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Rules and Regulations of the Ride-Along Program

You must be at least 21 years of age to participate in the Ride-Along Program.

1. ***DO NOT*** carry any weapons. (Waived for Sworn Law Enforcement ONLY)
2. Do not engage in any physical confrontations.
3. Do not drive any City of East Ridge vehicles.
4. Do not discuss criminal records or police reports with anyone, either during or following your ride-along.
5. Do not direct traffic. (Waived for Sworn Law Enforcement ONLY)
6. Do not serve as an undercover agent.
7. Arrive at least 15 minutes prior to your assigned ride-along.
8. **DO** what the officer instructs you to do. Your safety is a primary concern to the officer, the East Ridge Police Department, and the City of East Ridge.
9. Wear appropriate clothing for your ride-along. You are a reflection of the officer and the police department during your ride-along. Inappropriate clothing will result in your denial to ride-along. Failure to abide by these rules and regulations will disqualify you from future participation in the Ride-Along Program.

When you report for your scheduled ride during regular business hours, Monday-Friday 0700-1600 hrs., come in the main entrance to the Public Safety building and inform the office staff that you are here for the Ride-Along Program. After hours and on weekends, use the RED PHONE to advise the operator that you are here for the Ride-Along Program.

***\*Due to recent US Supreme Court decisions, the East Ridge Police Department has adopted a policy which prohibits citizens and members of the media from accompanying police officers onto private property while participating in the Ride-Along Program.***

***Please read and sign below to signify your understanding of these rules and regulations as they pertain to the East Ridge Police Department's Ride-Along Program.***

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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Release and Waiver of Claims, Ride-Along Program

Please read and sign below to signify your understanding and acceptance of the following release and waiver of claims as they pertain to your participation in the Ride-Along Program.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby request permission from the East Ridge Police Department to ride in one of its motor vehicles as an observer and in consideration of the granting of this permission, I do hereby agree to follow the instructions given by the officer(s) in charge of said motor vehicle or other officers that may in the course of my ride-along be placed in the position of providing for my safety and welfare.

I understand that police work can be dangerous and possibly life threatening. I realize that by riding in a police vehicle and that by participating in the Ride-Along Program, I could possibly be placing my life in danger.

For, and in consideration of, being allowed to ride in an East Ridge Police Department vehicle and for being allowed to participate in the Ride-Along Program, and for other good and valuable consideration, which is hereby acknowledged, I do release, discharge and otherwise hold harmless the City of East Ridge, the East Ridge Police Department and its administrators, agents, officers, volunteers and employees (hereinafter referred to as the "releases") from any and all liability, claims, demands, losses or damages which may be caused or may be alleged to be caused, in whole or in part, by any act or omission of the releases while participating in the Ride-Along Program and/or while riding in an East Ridge Police Department vehicle.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_