



PROCEDURES AND RULES

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REQUIREMENTS:

- ✓ Applicants must be 18 years of age or older and a bona fide New York City resident (with the exception of law enforcement personnel)
- ✓ Applications can be downloaded from WWW.NYC.GOV/NYPD (click on Bureaus → Community Affairs Bureau → Programs (*bottom of page*) → and scroll down to **Ride-Along Program**)
 - Applications must be received by the Community Affairs Bureau 30 days prior to the requested Ride-Along date
 - **WALK-IN APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**
- ✓ **Law enforcement applicants must submit their application with copies of their official law enforcement ID and a sponsorship/endorsement letter from their employer, organization or agency head on official letterhead**
- ✓ **NYC Applicants must submit a copy of a valid NYS Photo ID**
- ✓ All applicants are subject to approval and background checks by the NYPD
- ✓ Applicants are strongly encouraged to complete a post Ride-Along survey (*a link will be provided via email*).

Participants whose applications are approved are limited to one Ride-Along every two years. Ride-Alongs are conducted Monday through Friday, 8 AM or 4 PM, for two to four hours. There will be no more than two participants per car.

RULES OF CONDUCT:

- ✓ A valid NYS photo ID and the Ride-Along Authorization Letter must be presented at the time of the Ride-Along
- ✓ The **use of cameras, recording devices and/or cell phones are strictly prohibited**
- ✓ For your own safety, should an emergency occur during the tour, you must comply with any order or directive given to you by the officer(s)
- ✓ **NO weapons are allowed while participating in the Ride-Along program. This includes those prohibited by law or otherwise permitted (e.g., self-defense spray)**
- ✓ All participants will be provided with a ballistic-resistant vest that must be worn during the ride
- ✓ **The Ride-Along may be cancelled, if the applicant arrives more than 15 minutes late for the appointment**
- ✓ All participants are subject to safety inspection of clothing/belongings prior to commencement of the Ride-Along
- ✓ The Ride-Along cannot be a prerequisite to work, training, or school
- ✓ Note: Applicants who cancel a Ride-Along can re-apply after 30 days.

*I acknowledge with my signature that I have read and understand the **Ride-Along Program Procedures & Rules** as stated above:*

 Applicant's Name (*print*)

Applicant's Signature	Date
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APPLICATION

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Please return the completed application email to communityaffairs@nypd.org
Copy of a **valid photo ID must be submitted** with the application.

First Name		Last		Title	
Address			City	State	Zip Code
Country/Province		Phone No.		Email	
Occupation			Agency/School		
Date of Birth	Race	Sex	Date of Last Ride-Along		
Reason for Ride-Along Request					

Please Choose a Date, Time and Borough for the Ride-Along	Date of Ride-Along (<i>no holidays</i>)	Time Either <input type="checkbox"/> 8 AM or <input type="checkbox"/> 4 PM
	<input type="checkbox"/> Brooklyn <input type="checkbox"/> Bronx <input type="checkbox"/> Manhattan <input type="checkbox"/> Queens <input type="checkbox"/> Staten Island (<i>Precinct will be selected by the NYPD</i>)	

(NOTE: Exceptions can be made on a case-by-case basis)

ASSUMPTION OF RISK

I, _____, reside at _____ and affirm that I am at least eighteen (18) years of age, and have voluntarily requested to participate in the Ride-Along Program of the New York City Police Department. I understand the inherent dangers involved in police work and understand that I may be exposed to such dangers, including but not limited to, those risks involved as a passenger inside a marked police car on patrol responding to 911 calls or unexpected occurrences of an emergency or criminal nature. I assume the risk of any and all injuries that may result from my participation in this program.

Applicant's Signature	Date
Witnessed By	Date

GENERAL RELEASE

I, _____, a participant in the New York City Police Department's Ride-Along Program (*herein after referred to as the PROGRAM*), affirm that I am at least eighteen (18) years of age and reside at _____.

In consideration of and for the permission and authority to participate in the **PROGRAM**, I hereby release and forever discharge and shall hold harmless and indemnify the New York City Police Department, the City of New York, and its agents, servants and employees (*collectively herein after referred to as the CITY*) from all actions, causes of action, suits, debts, sums of money, accounts, damages, judgments, claims and demands whatsoever which I, my heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns may have now or in the future against the **CITY** pursuant to my participation in the **PROGRAM** including, but not limited to, riding inside a New York City Police Department Vehicle and any acts related thereto.

This release may not be changed orally.

Participant's Signature	Date
Witnessed By	Date