

**CITY OF SUTHERLIN POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITIZEN RIDE ALONG APPLICATION AND RELEASE
AGREEMENT WAIVER**

Fill in the following information (PLEASE PRINT).

NAME: _____ DOB: _____ AGE: _____ SEX: _____

HOME PHONE: () _____ WORK PHONE: () _____ SOC. SEC. #: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

PURPOSE OF RIDE (Explain):

Patrol observation rides are a maximum 4-hour duration. You are limited to 1 ride per calendar year. Juveniles will be at least 16 years of age and will have a parent or guardian signature prior to consideration for patrol observation. Please schedule as far in advance (1- WEEK MINIMUM) as possible. You will be contacted by telephone to confirm whether or not there is a vacancy for the date and time you have selected.

DATE REQUESTED: _____

TIME REQUESTED: _____ 7 AM _____ 9 AM _____ 11 AM _____ 5 PM _____ 9 PM _____ 10 PM

The applicant named above hereby acknowledges and declares that this application is made with the following understandings and stipulations:

1. The applicant will ride as a passenger in motor vehicles owned by the City of Sutherlin and operated by employees of the Sutherlin Police Department. The applicant will be a guest passenger in a police vehicle and has not offered any payment to the Sutherlin Police Department or its members for the opportunity to ride. Such transportation is furnished to the applicant purely gratuitously, as a revocable privilege, so that the applicant may observe the daily, routine operation of the Sutherlin Police Department on routine patrol. This transportation is for the applicant's educational benefit, and the applicant shall not act as an agent for the department or otherwise perform any police-related duty.
2. Routine patrol duties may involve the operation of police vehicles in emergency conditions as authorized and permitted by ORS 820.300. Such operation may involve greater than normal speeds, justified disregard of certain traffic control devices and rules of the road, etc. The circumstances requiring emergency operation may include, but are not limited to, pursuit of other vehicles and expeditious transit to suspected crimes in progress. Such circumstances are so varied that an exhaustive list cannot reasonably be compiled. Determination of when to operate a police vehicle as an emergency vehicle is within the sole discretion of the Sutherlin Police Department and its officers.
3. Police work involves, by its very nature, many hazards beyond the power of the police department and its officers to control. At all times while riding as a patrol observer, the applicant agrees that s/he will, without question or hesitation, abide by the directions of the Sutherlin Police Department given by its officers; and further recognizes that those directions may not effectively eliminate risk to the applicant, which risk the applicant. The applicant will avoid operating equipment, unless an officer's safety is at risk or the applicant receives an officer's permission. The applicant shall be an observer only and may not become involved verbally or physically unless directed to by an officer. The City of Sutherlin will not be liable for an applicant's unauthorized interventions.
4. The applicant recognizes that in an emergency, a police officer may not be able to both perform his/her duty and dismiss the applicant from his/her presence, thereby subjecting the applicant to the same risks as are presented to the police officer. The applicant fully understands the basic nature of the law enforcement profession that could possibly result in his/her exposure to danger of physical harm or injury, and s/he recognizes that s/he must and does assume the risk.

5. The applicant recognizes that criminal charges and/or civil suits arise from many of the situations that confront police officers in their daily work. The applicant agrees that s/he will keep confidential all observations and conversations which come to his/her attention as a result of his/her participation in this program. S/he recognizes that s/he may become civilly liable for any disclosures of this confidentiality s/he makes.

6. The applicant recognizes that during the course of participating in patrol observation, the applicant will become a witness to traffic offenses and criminal violations. The police officer will provide the applicant's name and address as a witness whenever applicable. The applicant acknowledges that as a witness, s/he may be subpoenaed to testify in court.

7. The applicant cannot carry a firearm even if the applicant has a concealed weapons permit. The exception is a certified police officer.

8. The applicant recognizes that if medical assistance, including first aid and/or ambulance service is necessary, the Sutherland Police Department will arrange for the same, consent for which is hereby given, and the applicant agrees to pay any and all costs incurred or accruing in connection therewith.

9. In consideration of the acceptance of this application and granting by the Sutherland Police Department of the privilege of acting as a patrol observer, the applicant agrees on behalf of him/herself, his/her heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns to defend and indemnify the City of Sutherland, the Sutherland Police Department, their officers, agents, employees, sureties, and each of them, against any and all manner of actions, causes of actions, suits, debts, claims, demands, damages, or liability or expense of every kind and nature incurred or arising by reason of any actual or claimed negligent or wrongful act or omission of mine while participating in the ride-along program. The applicant further agrees, on behalf of him/herself, his/her heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns to forever release, discharge, and acquit the Sutherland Police Department, the City of Sutherland, its officers, agents, and employees from any and all claims for death, personal injury and/or damage to property of any nature which may arise from or in connection with his/her participation hereunder.

10. The ride-along may be canceled or terminated at the discretion of the on-duty shift supervisor. All ride along applications are subject to the discretion of the Chief of Police, and may be denied for disqualifying reasons (see SPD Policy Manual 410.1.3 - Ride Along Disqualifications).

11. **THE APPLICANT HEREBY CONSENTS TO A CRIMINAL HISTORY/RECORDS CHECK AND DECLARES THAT S/HE HAS CAREFULLY READ AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS THE FOREGOING** and, by his/her signature affixed hereto, accepts the same and assents thereto in its entirety.

I freely and voluntarily sign this Release and Hold Harmless Agreement in sole reliance upon my own independent judgment.

APPLICANT (Signature): _____ **DATE:** _____

PARENT OR GUARDIAN MUST SIGN THE FOLLOWING IF THE APPLICANT IS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE:

I, _____, being the parent or legal guardian of the above applicant do hereby certify that I have carefully read and fully understand the foregoing application; and do hereby personally and on behalf of the said applicant accept and assert to his/her participation under the terms, stipulations, and conditions set forth in the said application, including the CONSENT TO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE (Paragraph 8) and the RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION REQUIREMENT (Paragraph 9) set forth therein.

PARENT OR GUARDIAN (Signature) _____ **DATE** _____

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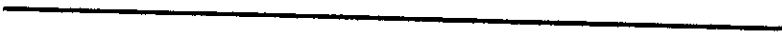
RECORDS CHECK:

Warrant Check: _____ Local _____ Other _____ Employee & No. _____

APPLICATION APPROVED BY:

Name: _____ Date: _____

Date Applicant will Ride: _____ Time _____ Officer _____



Date applicant rode: _____ From: _____ hours to _____ hours

Officer's Initials: _____ DPSST No. _____

is this rider an applicant for employment? No Yes - If yes, Officer comments:

