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Application: Approved Denied Field Operations Commander's Initials: _____ Date: _____

Comments: _____

To be filled out by the On-Duty Supervisor at the time of the Ride Along

Officer that citizen was assigned to ride with: _____ Badge#: _____

Date of Ride Along: _____ Time In: _____ Time Out: _____

Comments: _____

Rincon Police Department Ride-Along Program Application Procedures

Citizens whose applications are approved may be limited to the number of Ride-Alongs at the discretion of the Rincon Police Dept.

1. Applicants **MUST** be at least 18 years of age
2. A criminal record check will be conducted. Allow at least two weeks for the application to be processed.
3. The results of the criminal record check and the recommendation of the Field Operations Commander will determine the applicant's eligibility to participate in the Ride-Along Program.
4. Upon approval of request, the requesting party will be notified of when to report to the Police Department.

Rules of Conduct

1. You will be assigned to ride with a Police Officer of this Department. Requests for assignment with a specific officer will be at the discretion of the on-duty supervisor. Your application must be approved prior to the start of the Ride-Along Program.
2. You shall not carry **ANY** weapon of any kind while participating in the program unless authorized by the Chief of Police.
3. The Police Officer with whom you ride with will be happy to discuss duties and responsibilities insofar as time permits. If, however, some emergency should arise, you must immediately and without question comply with any order or directions given to you by the officer, as it is for your own safety.
4. You are not to leave the patrol car at the scene of any police activity without first obtaining permission from the officer.
5. The duration of the ride is at the discretion of the officer.
6. You may NOT use cameras or tape recorders while riding due to the possible conflicts with evidence collection unless authorized by the Chief of Police.
7. You will be required to present a neat and clean appearance, and wear appropriate business-like attire. Casual clothing such as shorts and T-shirts is not acceptable, to include flip flops, sandals, etc.

Risks of the Ride Along Program

Police officers can be, and often are, assigned the duties which involve danger and serious risks. Duties which involve emergencies or danger will not be avoided because you are present. While every effort will be made to ensure your safety, the officer's first responsibility will be to carry out his or her assigned duties. Please be aware that in riding along, you have assumed the risk of becoming injured or even killed. These risks may involve some of the following situations: being involved in a traffic accident, being shot, being taken hostage, being sprayed with OC or Pepper Gas, being exposed to a Taser, being beaten, being cut by a sharp weapon and/or being verbally abused.