



# Village of Poynette Police Department

Chief of Police Adam Rogge

## Rules, Policies and Procedures of Poynette Police Department Ride-Along Program

### **Overview:**

The Poynette Police Department has a Ride-Along Program that gives civilians the opportunity to observe law enforcement patrol activities. The goal is to help riders understand the problems and concerns of law enforcement, while establishing lines of communication between law enforcement officers and the community.

### **Application:**

An interested candidate must apply to participate in the program using the "Ride-Along Request" form. Chief Rogge will consider the request for approval. Assignments are made on a first come basis.

### **Release and Waiver of Liability:**

A candidate must complete and sign a Release and Waiver of Liability form provided by the Poynette Police Department. The Release and Waiver of Liability form must include the candidates full name, address, and date of birth and the candidate must sign the form. Candidates under 18 years of age must have a parent or legal guardian sign the form. Candidates under 16 years of age will not be allowed to participate in the Ride-Along Program unless approved by Chief Rogge.

### **Approval:**

Upon receipt of the Ride-Along Request form, and the completed and signed Release and Waiver of Liability form, the request will be considered for approval. Chief Rogge will notify the candidate whether his/her request has been approved or denied. Early application is suggested since the Poynette Police Department prefers to schedule the ride-along at least one week in advance. Ride-Along requests are considered on a case-by-case basis and are approved or denied in the sole discretion of Chief Rogge and the Village of Poynette. Submission of a Ride-Along Request does not guarantee that it will be approved.

### **Participation:**

Participants will be under the direction of a police officer. They will not be allowed to become involved in the police officer's activities unless specifically directed to do so by the officer. If the police officer or the participant decides that a dangerous situation exists which would compromise the participants safety, the ride-along will terminate and the participant will be dropped off at a place of safety. Arrangements will be made for the participants transportation back to the Poynette Police Department if the ride-along is terminated.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have read, understand, and will comply with the foregoing Rules, Policies and Procedures of the Poynette Police Department Ride-Along Program.

In witness whereof, I have signed this document on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

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Signature of Ride-Along Program Participant

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If under 18 Signature of Parent or Legal Gua...