



RIDE-A-LONG REQUEST

TO: Chief Terrence Green

Lexington Police Department
111 Maiden Lane
Lexington, SC 29072
(803) 359-6260

DATE: _____

I would like your permission to ride with an officer of the Lexington Police Department during the day / night shift, (hours will be designated by Lexington Police Department as available). I understand that this request is good only for the following date and time. A copy of my driver's license is attached.

(Please Print)

Person Requesting: _____ DOB: ____/____/____

Daytime Phone # (____)____-____ Alternate # (____)____-____

Are you related to or associated with any employee(s) of this department? _____

If so, whom and how? _____

Is this ride-a-long a course requirement?_____ If so, what school_____

Date Requested: ____/____/____ Time Requested: ____-____ am/pm

RULES GOVERNING THE RIDE-A-LONG AND CONDUCT OF THE RIDER

Ride-A-Long:

- Maximum length of time per ride is 4 hours.
Same individual can ride a maximum of 1 time per month.
Following dress code for riders: Casual attire; however, no shorts, t-shirts, halter-tops, mini-skirts, sandals, etc. are to be worn. Rider can be refused for improper appearance.
Ride-A-Longs will be scheduled to begin at least one hour after a shift change occurs and end one hour prior to a shift change. (6:30am/6:30pm)
A criminal background check will be conducted on the individual prior to the ride. Lexington Police Department's Chief of Police reserves the right to refuse a rider's request due to results of a criminal background check.
Cameras, video cameras or recording devices of any kind are not allowed and no rider will use any information received when riding without the permission of the Chief.
Any rider 17 years of age or under will be required to have a guardian in attendance.
The rider may be subpoenaed into court as a witness to any situation/incident he or she observes during the ride-a-long.

Rider:

- No rider will carry a weapon, with the exception being another police officer.
No rider will interfere with the officer at any time or in any way.
The rider will at all times follow all instructions of the officer with whom they are riding.
The rider will remain in the squad car at all times, unless directed to do otherwise by the officer.
At no time will the rider operate the police radio, except in the case of an emergency.
Riders will at all times conduct themselves with the utmost dignity and integrity.
The Lexington Police Department officers may put a rider out of the car at any time for the following reasons:
Failure to adhere to the requirements as advised.
When potentially dangerous calls are received, the rider will be put out of the vehicle for his/her own safety prior to officer responding, if possible, and if it is safe to do so.
At any time an officer feels a situation(s) may warrant the ride can be terminated.
Any deviation and/or exception to the above is at the discretion of the Chief of Police.

I have read and understand the above ride-a-long rules and rules of conduct governing a rider. I also understand that any violation of the above rules can result in the officer revoking my permission to ride at any time or place. I agree to abide by the rules as stated above.

Signature

Date

Approved by _____ Date _____ Notified By _____ Date _____

Assigned to Officer _____ Approved By _____ Date _____

WAIVER AND RELEASE

The undersigned has requested to ride in a patrol car owned and operated by the Town of Lexington on patrol to observe patrol work. The undersigned is aware that police work is a hazardous activity and that he or she may be exposed to danger during patrol due to the operation of the vehicle, arrests, investigation of crime and citizen complaints and other police activity. The undersigned is also aware that he or she is voluntarily exposing himself or herself to danger of personal injury or death. In view of the above, the undersigned does hereby release and waive any and all rights or causes of action against the Town of Lexington, its officers, police department, council members, employees or agents for any personal or bodily injury or death which may occur as a result of the undersigned's presence in the patrol car and/or presence during patrol activities.

DATE: _____

NAME: _____
(Please Print)

SIGNATURE: _____

WITNESS: _____

WAIVER AND RELEASE (For Guardian of Individuals 17 Years of Age and Under)

The undersigned approves of and is giving approval to the Lexington Police Department to honor the above juvenile's request to ride in a patrol car owned and operated by the Town of Lexington on patrol to observe patrol work. The undersigned, as legal guardian to the juvenile in this request, will also participate in the ride-a-long. The undersigned is held to the same rules and requirements as stated above. The undersigned is aware that police work is a hazardous activity and that he or she may be exposed to danger during patrol due to the operation of the vehicle, arrests, investigation of crime and citizen complaints and other police activity. The undersigned is also aware that he or she is voluntarily exposing himself or herself to danger of personal injury or death. In view of the above, the undersigned does hereby release and waive any and all rights or causes of action against the Town of Lexington, its officers, police department, council members, employees or agents for any personal or bodily injury or death which may occur as a result of the undersigned's presence in the patrol car and/or presence during patrol activities.

DATE: _____

NAME: _____
(Please Print)

SIGNATURE: _____

WITNESS: _____

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

Due to specific laws, state and local, and release of sensitive information, you are hereby advised that any observation of incidents and information pertaining to these incidents is strictly confidential. Cameras, video cameras or recording devices of any kind are not allowed and no rider will use any information received when riding without the permission of the Chief of Police. You are hereby advised that such release of information could result in criminal charges or a civil suit.

(TO BE COMPLETED AT TIME OF RIDE-A-LONG) Date _____ Time _____

Officer's Signature

Ride-A-Long's Signature