



**MILLBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT
127 ELM STREET
MILLBURY, MASSACHUSETTS 01527**

“Ride Along Program” Application

Printed Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Home Phone Number: _____ Cell Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Dates & Times Available: _____

I authorize the Millbury Police Department to conduct a criminal background check to determine my eligibility to participate in the “Ride Along Program”.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Police Department Use Only

Checks: BOP _____ III _____ MPD IMC _____

Supervisor of Patrol Operations Approval: _____

Scheduled “Ride Along” Date & Time: _____

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Confidentiality Agreement

Non Disclosure of Confidential Information and Waiver of Liability

- I. As evidenced by my signature below, I agree not to discuss or disclose any person's personal information observed or heard while participating in the Police Ride Along Program, Internship or any other similar program by the Millbury Police Department. This confidentiality and non-disclosure agreement includes, but is not limited to: criminal histories, motor vehicle information, or any gained from an ongoing or past police investigation.
- II. Any breach of confidentiality or disclosure of any such information is a misdemeanor and by signing this document, I state I am fully aware of this fact and will be subject to criminal prosecution as well as possible civil liability for any such breach. I am also aware that Federal as well as State Statutes governing the privacy of an individual's records will also be violated by such breach or disclosure.
- III. I, binding my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, do hereby release and agree not to hold liable the Town of Millbury, its officers, agents, and employees, for any and all actions, causes of actions, claims, demands, costs for damages, both foreseen and unforeseen, arising from or resulting from property damage, personal injuries or death sustained by me or my property or any of my heirs or assigns as a result of my participation in the Police Ride Along Program, Internship or any other similar program by the Millbury Police Department, whether caused by negligence or an intentional act.
- IV. I understand that my participation in this program may include riding in a police vehicle with a police officer who will be responding to police calls for service and performing other police duties. I hereby agree to obey the instructions of any police officer regarding matters of affecting official police business. I know that, as an inherent incident of my participation in this program, I may be placed in unpredictable situations, both foreseeable and unforeseeable, which may be dangerous and could lead to serious bodily injury or death, and that there is no duty on the part of the Town nor any of its officers or employees to protect me from said danger.
- V. I understand that my participation in the Police Ride Along Program, Internship or any other similar program by the Millbury Police Department may be terminated at any time by the Millbury Police Department for any or no reason at all.
- VI. I state I have carefully read this Release, know its contents, accept the conditions stated herein and sign my name as a free and voluntary act.

Date Signed

Signature

MILLBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT

AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION

I request and authorize the release of any information that the Millbury Police Department may request from every person firm, company, corporation, partnership, governmental agency, court, association having control over of any documents, records, reports, or other written information pertaining to me, to cooperate and allow inspection or provide copies, of such documents, records, reports or other information to the Millbury Police Department or any of its agents or representatives.

I hereby release, exonerate and discharge the Millbury Police Department, its agents and representatives, and any person or entity so furnishing information from any and all liability of every nature and kind arising out of the furnishing or inspection of such written documents, records, reports, or other written information to the Millbury Police Department or its agents or representatives.

I also understand and agree that all information received by the Millbury Police Department in connection with this application and background information is confidential and shall not be disclosed to me.

I hereby acknowledge that a facsimile (FAX) or copy by any other method, of this document may be used and is as valid as the original copy.

This release will expire 120 days after the date signed.

Signature & Date

RIDE-ALONG PROTOCOL

Who Can Ride: Ride along participants must complete the following and meet the following guidelines, prior to participating in the ride along program.

1. You must submit a completed ride along application.
2. You must be at least 18 years of age.
3. You must have completed and signed a release of liability. If the ride along participant is under the age of 18, the release of liability must be completed and signed by the parent or guardian of the child.
4. A criminal history must be checked. If a person wishing to participate in the ride along program has a criminal record, a supervisor will make the determination if the ride along will occur.

Officers Participating in Ride-Along: We encourage officers from other departments and prospective officers of the Millbury Police Department (those engaging in a hiring process) to participate in the Ride Along Program.

1. While on duty and performing law enforcement functions for their agency, officers from other jurisdictions may be armed during the ride along.
2. Off duty officers participating in a ride along are permitted to carry their firearms.

Attire: Although we do want you to be comfortable while on the ride along, we must reinforce that this is a professional department and your clothing should reflect that. Clothing items that are not permitted on the ride along are:

1. Midriff or revealing tops
2. Revealing shorts/skirts
3. Baseball Hats
4. Gang type attire
5. Facial jewelry
6. Low rise or overly baggy jeans

Please remember if the officer finds that the clothing you have worn does not represent the professionalism of the organization, he/she may ask that you reschedule the ride along

Officer's Instructions: Prior to the ride along beginning, ask the officer what he/she expects from you and what his/her preferences are relating to the different situations that arise on a ride along. At all times, you must follow the officer's instructions.

1. Pursuit/Chase
 - a. While in the squad, it is possible that a chase can begin. If this situation arises, the officer will immediately terminate the ride along. **This section does not pertain to off-duty officers.**
 - b. You will be required to get out of the cruiser. MPD expects that you will do this quickly and without argument. The officer will arrange a ride back to the station for you.
2. Stops/Encounters:
 - a. Please do not converse with the subject of the traffic/foot stop, without the permission of the officer.
 - b. If the officer instructs you to stay in the cruiser, you must do so. The officer will inform you when you can leave the vehicle.
3. Cruisers:
 - a. Do not touch any of the equipment in the vehicle unless the officer gives you permission.
 - b. Do not attempt to drive the vehicle.

Confidentiality: The citizens of Millbury have a right to privacy. Any and all information pertaining to police records, police stops or other privileged material is to be kept strictly confidential. The release of criminal information to the public could conceivably be considered a felony. Adult arrest records are public information but juvenile contacts/arrests are not.

Other Items to Note:

1. Smoking is prohibited.
2. Foul language is prohibited.
3. Do not represent yourself as an officer or as an employee of the police department.
4. Arrive 10 minutes before the beginning of your scheduled ride along. Upon arrival at the police department, check in at the front desk by giving your name and the name of the officer whom you will be riding with.
5. If you need to cancel your ride along, please call the Shift Supervisor

at the police department.

6. Although the ride along is scheduled for a specific time frame, there may be a situation that arises while you are on the ride along that would not permit you to return to the station on time. Please plan your schedule accordingly.
7. A last minute schedule change or emergency may occur and the ride along may be delayed or postponed.
8. At the officer's discretion, the ride along can be terminated at any given time.

Our officers voluntarily participate in the ride along program, and they welcome and appreciate conversation and questions. Don't hesitate to inquire about their profession and the Millbury Police Department. Enjoy the ride along experience!