

**SANGER
POLICE DEPARTMENT**



**RIDE ALONG
PROGRAM**

The Sanger Police Department has established a "Ride-Along" Program that encourages the public to ride during a tour of duty with a Sanger Police Officer on patrol.

There are several reasons why you may be interested in a "Ride-Along".

- Perhaps you are considering a career in law enforcement.
- Maybe you would like to observe a police incident to see how they are handled.
- You would like to witness police work from an officer's viewpoint.

We sincerely hope that by offering such a program, we may expand your understanding of the important job the officers perform.

WHO DO I CONTACT IF I WANT TO PARTICIPATE?

Contact the Sanger Police Department front lobby, the on-duty Watch Commander, or any police officer that you may know.

WILL I HAVE TO SIGN SOMETHING?

Yes. We must have you sign an accident waiver which releases this department of liability in the event you were to be injured while riding along with us. If you are 16 to 18 years of age, your parents must also sign the waiver. An interview may be conducted prior to the ride to ensure that it is mutually beneficial for you to participate in the program. This form must be submitted and approved at least 5 days prior to the date you wish to ride.

HOW LONG CAN I RIDE?

Normally 8 hours. You may ride for a shorter period of time if you wish.

ARE THERE THINGS I SHOULD NOT DO?

Yes. This will be explained to you in the interview or at the beginning of the ride.

COULD I GET HURT?

Police work by its very nature is sometimes dangerous. We will do everything within our power to see that you are not hurt.

HOW SHOULD I DRESS?

We require that all persons riding be suitably dressed in slacks, collared shirts and shoes. Sandals, tee shirts, halter tops, shorts and blue jeans are **NOT** permitted. We advise women participants not to wear dresses, skirts or high heeled shoes. You should always consider the weather and bring appropriate clothing. The Watch Commander may refuse a ride to anyone not properly dressed.

CAN I BRING A CAMERA?

NO. Due to constitutional questions of "Right to Privacy", we do not allow cameras or any other type of electric recording devices.

HOW OFTEN CAN I RIDE?

In order to allow as many people as possible the chance to participate in the program, we limit rides to 1 every 6 months.

HOW CAN I THANK THE OFFICER?

A simple "thank you" to the officer or a letter to the Chief is sufficient. Please do not offer to buy lunch or refreshments. It is against department policy for the officers to accept the gesture and they must refuse.

SILVER RODRIGUEZ
Chief of Police

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DECLARATION OF ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I, _____, the undersigned, declare the following.

I am _____ years of age, Date of Birth _____, and am not a member of the Sanger Police Department. I have made a voluntary request to participate in the "Ride Along" Program of the Sanger Police Department. I will accompany any member of the Sanger Police Department to which I may be assigned during the performance of their duties, which may include riding with said officer in a police vehicle and being present at the scene of criminal investigations or other emergencies.

In consideration of the City of Sanger allowing me to participate in the "Ride Along" Program, with full knowledge and understanding that I may be injured or otherwise incur damages as a result of participation in such program, I on behalf of myself, my heirs, executors, survivors, assigns and all other persons claiming by or through me, hereby fully release, waive and give up rights I may now have or have in the future, to seek compensation or damages from the City of Sanger and the officer, agents and employees of the City of Sanger stemming from my participation in the "Ride Along" Program.

I also agree to indemnify, defend and save the City of Sanger and the officers, agents and employees of the City of Sanger free and harmless and against any and all liability for loss of life, personal injury or property damages incurred by myself by reason of the sole or partial or passive negligence of the City of Sanger and the officers, agents and employees of the City of Sanger by reason of my participation in the "Ride Along" Program.

Executed this _____ Day of _____, 20____, at Sanger California.

(Signature of applicant- Print and Sign Name)

(Signature of witness- Print and Sign Name)

If under 18 years of age, a parent or legal guardian must also sign.

(Signature of parent or legal guardian-Print and Sign Name)

(Signature of witness – Print and Sign Name)

Address: _____

California Driver's License or Identification Number: _____

Phone Number: _____

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, NOTIFY (Include Address) _____

Date and Time you are requesting to ride _____

TO BE COMPLETED BY AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR:

APPROVED DENIED

Officer Assigned: _____

Date Assigned: _____

Time Assigned: from _____ to _____

Authorized by: _____

Date Authorized: _____