



PIONEER POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE · TIMOTHY N. LIVENGOOD



AGREEMENT ASSUMING RISK ON INJURY, DAMAGE, OR DEATH WAIVER AND RELEASE OF CLAIMS; AND AGREEMENT NOT TO SUE

Whereas the undersigned, not being a sworn member, employee or agent of the Village of Pioneer Police Department, has made a voluntary request for permission to ride as a guest or observer in a law enforcement vehicle at a time when such vehicle is operated and manned by members of the Village of Pioneer Police Department and has further requested permission to accompany a member or members of said law enforcement department during the active performance of their official duties as peace officers.

Now, therefore, be it understood that the undersigned hereby agrees that **THE WORK AND ACTIVITIES OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ARE INHERENTLY DANGEROUS INVOLVING SUBSTANTIAL RISKS** including the risk of death; personal injury, and/or property damage; such risks may be generated by individuals breaking, or suspected of breaking the law; by the apprehension, or attempted apprehension, of such individuals; by motor vehicles driven by peace officers or by others; or may occur in a truly limitless variety of ways; **AND THAT THE UNDERSIGNED WILL BE EXPOSED TO SUCH RISKS BY ACCOMPANYING, OR PARTICIPATING IN, THE RIDE-ALONG.**

Further, knowing all these risks, the undersigned nevertheless hereby agrees to voluntarily assume all risks, both known and unknown and to release and hold harmless all of the persons and entities named herein who, through negligence or intentional conduct, might otherwise be liable for damages.

Now, therefore, be it understood that the undersigned hereby agrees that the Village of Pioneer, the Pioneer Police Department, the driver or owner of any automobile owned or operated by, or in the service of the Village of Pioneer shall not be held liable or responsible under any circumstances whatsoever by the undersigned, his or her estate, or heirs, for any death, injury, expense or loss to the person or property of the undersigned, incurred while riding as a guest or observer in any Pioneer Police Department vehicle or while accompanying a member of said department during the active performance of his official duties as a peace officer. The undersigned agrees not to sue any of the above for any possible death, injury, expense, or loss.

**THE UNDERSIGNED: HAS READ THIS RELEASE AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS ITS CONTENTS; IS
AWARE THAT THIS RELEASE IS A WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND HAS SIGNED THIS RELEASE
VOLUNTARILY.**

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NOTE: THE SIGNATURE OF A PARENT OR GUARDIAN IS REQUIRED FOR THOSE GUESTS OR OBSERVERS UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

DATE/TIME OBSERVER TO RIDE:

APPROVED BY:

Timothy N. Livengood, Chief of Police



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USE OF CRIMINAL INFORMATION AND DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLE INFORMATION BY RIDE-ALONG PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS WITH THE Pioneer Police Department

As a civilian rider with an officer with the Pioneer Police Department, you may have access to confidential criminal records and/or Department of Motor Vehicle record information while participating in the Ride-Along Program. This confidential information is controlled by statute (see below). Misuse of such information may adversely affect an individual’s civil rights and violates the law.

Ohio Revised Code, section 2913.04(C): *No person shall knowingly gain access to, attempt to gain access to, cause access to be granted to, or disseminate information gained from access to the law enforcement automated database system created pursuant to section 5503.10 of the Revised Code without the consent of, or beyond the scope of the express or implied consent of, the chair of the law enforcement automated data system steering committee.*

Ohio Revised Code, section 2913.04(H): *Whoever violates division (C) of this section is guilty of unauthorized use of the law enforcement automated database system, a felony of the fifth degree.*

Violation of this law, by you, as an observer of the Pioneer Police Department, may result in your being prosecuted in a criminal and/or civil action.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE AND UNDERSTAND THE POLICY REGARDING THE MISUSE OF CRIMINAL RECORD INFORMATION AND DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLE INFORMATION.

The information on this form will be read and signed by participants in the “Ride-Along” program at the Pioneer Police Department.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

WITNESS: _____ TITLE: _____



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RIDE-ALONG RULES and REGULATIONS

(Bring this form with you on your ride-along)

The Ride-Along program provides the public with an opportunity to ride with a police officer while he/she performs their regular duties. The program is designed to enhance your understanding of law enforcement. The following rules and regulations are designed to maintain the integrity and positive nature of this program.

1. All observers shall sign a release of liability. Observers under 18 years of age must have a parent or guardian sign the Release of Liability in the presence of a Pioneer Police Officer.
2. Observers must have reached the age of 16 in order to participate in the Ride-Along.
3. Observers must wear appropriate attire. "Business casual" dress is strongly recommended. Observers must adhere to the department's dress code. Shorts, Tank-Tops, T-shirts, open toe shoes, sandals, and any clothing with obscene or questionable prints or designs are not permitted. Males will not have any jewelry visible (exception for wedding ring). Females will limit earrings to one per ear and must be a "post/stud" style. No earrings will be permitted which dangle. Females will also limit rings to wedding ring only. Furthermore, dress appropriately for the weather.

Failure to adhere to the dress code can result in the Ride-Along being cancelled. This will be determined by the officer with whom the Ride-Along will take place.

4. Questions are encouraged and welcome. However, they must be asked at the appropriate time. Observers should be careful not to interfere with the officer at any time.
5. The observer is responsible to pay for his/her own meals.
6. Observers shall not communicate or become involved in the questioning or speaking with prisoners, suspects, or witnesses involved with a call for service, which they may encounter during the observation.
7. An observer may end his/her ride at any time simply by notifying the officer.
8. If the officer feels the performance of his duties is being impaired in any manner by the actions of the observer, the officer has the authority to return the observer to the station and discontinue the ride-along.
9. The observer will understand the officer will take great steps to ensure their safety during the ride-along. Observers will adhere to all instructions given to them by the officer.

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I have read the above rules/regulations. I understand and agree to abide by them.

Signature of Rider

Date