



SELIGMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

RIDE-ALONG PROGRAM



The opportunity to observe police patrol activities is offered to persons 18 years of age or older. Participants shall not be used in any investigation without first obtaining authorization from the Chief of Police. In order to safeguard all participants and to minimize the possibility of interference with normal police activities, adherence to the following is necessary:

1. Anyone who wishes to ride shall complete the ride-along request form. The Chief of Police will contact you to schedule the ride-along, usually within 14 business days, if approved.
2. Prior to the ride-along, participants must sign a Waiver/Release of Liability form and agree to a criminal history background check.
3. Participants shall be neatly dressed and groomed. Offensive Shirts, sweatpants, leggings, slippers or high heels will not be permitted. Business casual attire is suggested with comfortable shoes.
4. Participants will be under the supervision of a police officer at all times.
5. Participants must be in good general health; fully ambulatory, with no need for assistance.
6. Female participants cannot ride if they are pregnant or suspect they may be pregnant.
7. Participants shall not leave the police vehicle at the scene of any police activity without first obtaining the permission of the supervising officer.
8. Participants shall not converse with any prisoners, suspects, or witnesses, nor shall they participate in any police activity unless directed to do so by the officer and that request can be accomplished in a safe manner.
9. Tape recorders, cameras and video equipment will not be permitted while participating in the program with the exception of accredited media representatives who have made the necessary arrangements through the Chief of Police. Cell phones may be carried but must not be used without the officer's permission.
10. Firearms and Weapons of any kind are prohibited.

WAIVER/RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I, the undersigned, in consideration of the City of Seligman's (COS) agreement, through the Seligman Police Department (SPD), will be permitted to ride in a vehicle for the purpose of observing police activities, do hereby agree to indemnify, defend, save, and hold the COS and its employees harmless from any claims, lawsuits or liability, including attorney's fees and costs, allegedly arising out of loss, damage, or injury to myself, other persons or property occurring during the course of as a result of my entering into, riding in, sitting in, departing from or otherwise using such vehicle while it is being used in the normal course of COS business. I understand that both the ordinary extraordinary risk to my person and property and/or the person and property of others accompanies my presence either in the vehicle while it is being used for COS business or while at the scene of COS activity.

I have read and understand the above instructions, and hereby state my intention to voluntarily accept the associated risks in the manner stated above. I understand that I am authorizing SPD to conduct an agency records check and a criminal history background investigation and that any negative results will result in this request being denied.

Participants Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name	Date of Birth	Driver's License #/Lic State	Social Security #
Address	City	State	Phone

Time of Day Preference (Check one): Morning Afternoon Evening Night
 Date or Day of the week preference _____

Officer Preference (optional/not guaranteed): _____ How do you know this officer: _____

Do you have any criminal convictions? if so explain: _____

Reason for ride-along: Applicant/Potential Applicant Citizen Police Academy Media Other: _____

For Official Use Only: Date Received:	Ride-along Date:
Background Check By DSN:	Officer's Name/DSN:
Approved: Yes No	Notes:
Approved By:	