

# CITY OF MONTEREY PARK

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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\_\_\_\_\_ Jim Smith \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Chief of Police \_\_\_\_\_

## **Ride-Along Application and Waiver**

Agreement assuming risk of injury or damage, waiver, and release of claims indemnity agreement.

WHEREAS, I \_\_\_\_\_ (being/not being) over the age of eighteen and not being a member of the Monterey Park Police Department, have made a voluntary request to ride as a guest in a vehicle assigned to the Monterey Park Police Department during the performance of their official duties, and

WHEREAS, The Police Department of Monterey Park is willing to allow me to ride as a guest in a vehicle assigned to that Department and to accompany a member or members of the Department during the performance of their official duties, I do hereby agree:

1. That I am aware that the work of the Monterey Park Police Department is inherently dangerous and that I may be subjected to the risk of death or personal injury or damage to my property by accompanying a member or members of the Monterey Park Police Department during the performance of their official duties and that I freely, voluntarily, and with such knowledge assume the risk of death, personal injury, or property damage arising from or in any way connected with the use of weapons: unlawful acts or forcible resistance by law violators or suspected law violators, assault, riot, breach of the peace, fire, explosion, gas, electrocution or the escape of radioactive substances while accompanying a member or members of the Monterey Park Police Department during the performance of their regular duties.

2. That the City of Monterey Park, Jim Smith, Chief of the Monterey Park Police, his sureties, all members of the Police Department of Monterey Park, their sureties, and each of them shall not be responsible or liable for my death or for any injury, damage, loss or expense either to me or my property, incurred while accompanying any member or members of said Department during the performance of their official duties and resulting from any negligent act or omission on the part of any member of the Monterey Park Police Department.

3. For myself, my heir, executors, administrators and assigns to defend and identify the City of Monterey Park, Jim Smith, Chief of Monterey Park Police, all members of the Monterey Park Police Department, their sureties and each of them, against any and all manner or actions, causes of actions, suits, debts, claims, demands, or damages or liability or expense of every kind and nature incurred or arising by reason of any actual or claimed negligent or wrongful act or omission of mine while riding in any vehicle assigned to the Monterey Park Police Department or while accompanying any member or members of said Police Department during the performance of their official duties.

Release of Claims Indemnity Agreement cont.

I hereby represent that I have carefully read and understand the contents of this document and sign the same of my own free will.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name (printed)                      First                      Middle                      D.O.B.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature                      Male / Female  
Circle one

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian if applicant is a minor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address                      City

(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number                      Identification Number/State

\_\_\_\_\_  
Requested date and time of ride-along

CAUTION READ THIS DOCUMENT IN FULL BEFORE SIGNING

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**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Host Officer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Criminal History Rap #	
Juvenile History JAI #	

## Monterey Park Police Department

From: Jim Smith, Chief of Police  
To: Ride-Along / Dispatch Observers  
Subject: Instructions for Observers

The opportunity to observe police activities is offered to interested person through the cooperation of the Monterey Park Police Department. Strict adherence to the following instructions is necessary, in order to safeguard participants and to minimize the possibility of interference with normal department activities.

1. Persons riding in the capacity of observers are under the complete control of the office at all times.
2. Observers shall not leave the radio car at the scene of any police activity without first obtaining the permission of the officer.
3. Observers shall not participate in any police activity unless requested directly by the officer.
4. Observers shall not converse with the prisoners, suspects, witnesses, or other parties contacted on police business unless requested by the officer.
5. Observers shall not interfere with the Officers activities at anytime. Although it is desirable and you are encouraged to ask questions regarding procedures and activities it must be done at an appropriate time.
6. Observers will contact the Watch Commander at the station prior to riding and will be returned to the station at the conclusion of the ride, which will usually last about four hours.
7. Observers shall wear appropriate attire with the Observer label on the outermost clothing on the chest. **Tape recorders or cameras will not be permitted because of the legal ramification of courtroom evidence and the possibility of hampering prosecution of the case.**
8. All observers must sign a Waiver of Liability. If the observer is a minor, one parent or guardian must sign the waiver in the presence of a member of this department.
9. Observers may witness a criminal act or arrest and they may be required to appear as a witness in court.
10. If you are unable to keep your appointment, please notify the Watch Commander at (626) 307-1200.
11. As a ride-along with the Monterey Park Police Department, you may have access to confidential information, criminal history information and Department of Motor Vehicle record information, which is controlled by statute. Misuse of such information may adversely affect an individual's civil rights and violate the law. California Penal Code Section 502 and California Vehicle Code Section 1808.45 prescribe the penalties relating to computer crime and misuse of confidential information. Any person who violates these laws may be the subject of criminal and/or civil action.

I have read and understand the foregoing instructions.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_