



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ride-along Agreement for Media

The Spokane Police Department welcomes members of the media to participate in our ride-along program. Safety is the foremost consideration in approving a ride-along. To ensure the safety of the rider, community members, and officers, those requesting a ride-along will be required to complete this form along with the Request to Ride form prior to participating. Please note:

- Requests for a media ride-along will be coordinated through the department's Public Information Officer.
- Under no circumstance shall a media ride-along be permitted to enter a private residence with an officer without the expressed consent of the resident or other authorized person.

Restrictions:

1. You agree not to videotape or otherwise record or photograph any department members who are designated as being 'undercover'.
2. If undercover members are unavoidably recorded, you agree to obscure or otherwise conceal the identity, face, and/or other distinguishing characteristics.
3. You agree not to broadcast or otherwise publicize images, names, or other identifying information on victims, witnesses, or suspects without the written consent of those individuals. (victim and witness identification is protected under RCW 42.17.310.)
4. You agree that certain conversations or information such as witness or informant names, or plans for future sensitive activities, if overheard, will not be recorded or revealed.
5. You will refrain from filming or otherwise recording ongoing tactical operations, unless given permission to do so.
6. You agree not to broadcast live/livestream during any portion of the ride-along. An interview before and/or after the ride-along can be broadcast live/livestreamed if consent from the officer is given.

Name of reporter/journalist: _____

Signature of reporter/journalist: _____

News affiliation: _____

Date: _____