



Reno Fire Department Ride Along Program –Instructions

The Reno Fire Department is pleased to offer our Ride Along program for anyone over the age of 18 who is interested in experiencing the life of a firefighter. Participants will spend a nine hour day at one of our stations with the crew, seeing firsthand what life in the fire house is like and how it feels responding to emergency calls.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Fill out the attached Ride Along Request Application.
2. Submit the completed and signed form **in person** to the Reno Fire Department Administrative Office located at Reno City Hall, 1 East First St, 4TH Floor, between 8am and 4pm and at least ten (10) working days prior to participation.
3. Bring your picture ID; a copy will be taken at that time.
4. Wait for confirmation of your Ride Along – **which will be sent via email**. Any questions please call 775- 334-2300

Participation in the Ride Along Program requires:

- Application filled out and submitted with a copy of a valid Driver’s license or State I.D. card.
- A clear background check.
- Age 18 years or older.
- No physical limitations –must be physically capable of climbing into and out of a fire engine (high steps) quickly.
- 9-hour time commitment for the Ride Along, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday (holidays and Sundays excluded).

Please follow the guidelines below when selecting your attire for your Ride Along:

- NO fire department emblems or logos on any article of clothing allowed.
- Jeans or slacks, any color, in good condition, no rips or holes.
- Solid color shirt, t-shirt, jacket, sweatshirt.
- NO facial piercings, dangling or excessive jewelry, due to safety issues.
- Closed shoes, no open toe sandals or high heels. Tennis shoes or sneakers are preferred.

Some additional information:

1. Act professionally at all times. It is the discretion of the Captain to terminate the Ride Along at any time if he/she feels it is necessary.
2. Meals are the responsibility of the participant. You are encouraged to bring a lunch. (there is a refrigerator in each station).
3. Active participation during emergencies is not allowed. You are there to observe and will be expected to follow directions when asked without question during emergency situations.
4. Seat belts must be worn at all time when in the apparatus.
5. Cell Phone Usage: At no time may a cell phone be used for any reason while on a call; cell phones must be put away, no selfies. Cell phones may be used for class purposes during appropriate times when back at the station. No pictures allowed without RFD’s permission. Use of cell phones outside these parameters will mean an immediate termination of the ride along.

We hope that you will enjoy your Ride Along experience.



**RENO FIRE DEPARTMENT RIDE ALONG
PARTICIPANT WAIVER FORM**



Whereas, I _____
(Name – please print clearly)

Being over the age of 18 and not being a member of the City of Reno Fire Department, have made a voluntary request to ride as a guest in a fire vehicle assigned to the Reno Fire Department and to accompany a member or members of the Fire Department during the performance of their duties; and

I AGREE:

1. That I am aware that the work of the Fire 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 any member or members of the Fire Department 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 hazardous materials while accompanying a member or members of the Fire Department.
2. That the City of Reno, the City Council, City Manager, its officers and employees, Fire Chief, all members of the Fire Department of Reno, and each of them, shall not be responsible or liable for any injury, damage, loss or expense, either to me or my property, incurred while riding in any vehicle assigned to the City of Reno or while accompanying any member or members of said department.
3. For myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns to defend and indemnify the City of Reno, the City Council, City Manager, its officers and employees, Fire Chief in the City of Reno, all members of the Reno Fire Department, and each of the, against any and all manner of actions, causes of actions, suits, debts, claims, demands, or damage or liability of 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 City of Reno Fire Department or while accompanying any member or members of said department.

I HEREBY REPRESENT that I have carefully read and understand the contents of this document including the detailed instructions and procedures and signed the same of my own free will.

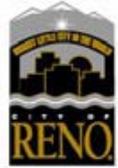
READ THIS DOCUMENT IN FULL BEFORE SIGNING

Participant Signature

Reno Fire Department Designee



RENO FIRE DEPARTMENT RIDE ALONG APPLICATION



Please print CLEARLY

Name: _____ (Last) (First) (Middle)

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Contact Phone: (____) _____ Business Phone: (____) _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Email Address: _____

Occupation: _____ Business Address: _____

Driver's License: ____/____ (State) (Number)

Other ID: _____

Fire Department Affiliation (if any) _____

Reason for Requesting Ride Along: _____

Local Emergency Contact: _____

Primary Phone: (____) _____

Alternate Phone: (____) _____

I certify that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

____ Date: _____ (Signature of Applicant)

ADMIN USE ONLY

Reviewed by: _____ Date: _____

Notes/Requests: _____

Disposition:

Non-Professional: _____

Professional _____

Approved: _____

Denied: _____

Assigned date: _____ Assigned Station: ____/____



BACKGROUND REQUEST FORM



Please print legibly or your request will not be processed. Use your legal name and fill out all requested fields.

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____

Middle Name: _____

Address: _____
Number and Street

_____ City State Zip

Date of Birth: _____

IDENTIFICATION TYPE: Driver's License Passport Other

ID Number: _____

State of Issuance: _____

I hereby authorize the Reno Fire Department to conduct a basic background investigation on me for the purpose of obtaining permission to participate in a Ride Along.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

ADMIN USE ONLY:

Background Conducted by: _____ Date: _____

Approved: _____ Denied: _____

Comments: _____