

**BOTHELL POLICE DEPARTMENT RIDE-ALONG/RIDER STANDARDS AND INSTRUCTIONS  
(PFA-1340B)**

**Rider: Initial next to each instruction and sign and date at the bottom of form**

- Riders will be considered observers only, and will be under the direct supervision of the assigned officer during the ride-along.
- Riders must wear neat, clean, appropriate clothing. Shorts, sweat suits or jogging suits, tank tops, halter tops, or clothing which is torn, soiled or displays offensive language or symbols will not be allowed.
- Riders may not possess any weapons at any time. (Exception only for active law enforcement officer or retired law enforcement officer with current LEOSA certification).
- Riders will follow the directions of the officer at all times.
- Riders will conduct themselves in a civil and courteous manner at all times.
- Riders must wear their seat belts at all times while in the patrol car.
- For security and safety reasons, participants are not allowed to handle or use any of the officer's equipment or the equipment in the patrol vehicle.
- Riders will not become involved in any investigation, handling of evidence, discussions with victims, witness, or suspects, or handling any police equipment.
- The officer may terminate the ride-along at any time and the officer may return the rider to their home or to the station if the rider interferes with the performance of the officer's duties.
- Riders may be allowed to continue riding during the transportation and booking process provided this does not jeopardize their safety.
- Officers will not allow riders to be present in any residences or situations that would jeopardize their safety or cause undue stress or embarrassment to a victim or any other citizen.
- Under no circumstances shall a civilian rider be permitted to enter a private residence with an officer without the expressed consent of the resident or other authorized person.
- No tape recordings, cameras, or similar devices are allowed.
- In the case of a potentially dangerous or hazardous call, participants may be dropped off at a safe location. If this occurs, the officer will give the participant specific instructions and arrange for transportation

**Rider Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Officer Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_