



## EDMONDS FIRE DEPARTMENT Ride-Along Request Form

The Edmonds Fire Department offers citizens the opportunity to ride along with first responders in engines and aid units. It is a chance to learn about the Edmonds Fire Department and witness first-hand how Firefighters/EMTs and Paramedics interact with the community and perform their jobs.

To help schedule your visit and clarify ride-along rules and criteria, please read this entire, two-page form. If a ride-along is appropriate for you, please print this form, provide us with the information requested below, and mail the form to Edmonds Fire Department, 121 – 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. No., Edmonds WA 98020.

Request must be submitted at least 14 days in advance of your desired ride-along date. A Battalion Chief will contact you to confirm your ride-along day and time.

During a ride-along, you can expect the unexpected. Firefighters are involved in a wide variety of activities, depending on the day. Typical days include cleaning, station and vehicle maintenance, fire prevention inspections, public service requests, and emergency fire and medical calls. Emergency frequency and type are unpredictable. If your primary goal is to respond to emergencies you may be disappointed.

*Please note: Fire stations are in service during ride-alongs.*

### Ride-Along Criteria:

- Participants must:
  - ~ be at least 18 years old.
  - ~ be associated with a medical organization, enrolled in a related educational program (such as fire science), an EFD volunteer, an EFD firefighter/EMT candidate, or employed in an affiliated field.
  - ~ wear black or dark-blue pants (no jeans) a dark T-shirt (no logos), and shoes appropriate for an industrial environment (no flip-flops). Appearance must be neat, clean, and professional.
  - ~ sign confidentiality and liability documents.
  - ~ follow orders. For everyone's safety, you may be told to remain in an emergency vehicle or denied permission to enter premises. Your level of participation will be determined solely by Fire Department personnel, usually the Company Officer of your assigned station.
  - ~ bring your own food.
- Ride-alongs are:
  - ~ not available to log community-service hours of any type.
  - ~ no longer than four hours in duration.
  - ~ scheduled on weekdays.
  - ~ scheduled for one adult only.

Please Provide the Following Information:

Today's date:						
Your name:						
Organization or program you're associated with:						
Email address:						
Phone numbers:	work:		home:		cell:	
Dates and times requested:	first choice:		second choice:		third choice:	
Do you prefer riding in an engine, medic unit, or both?						
Please provide us with any other information that will help make your ride-along useful and enhance your education or career:						

Thank You!

For Department use only			
Received by:		Date:	
Forwarded to:		Date:	