



THE COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF ONTARIO

Guide to Acceptable Criminal Record Search

In order to assist applicants in processing their application for registration, this document contains information about acceptable Canadian Police Information Centre (CPIC) checks in Ontario and the rest of Canada.

Criminal record searches processed by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) are always acceptable, as are all vulnerable sector checks.

Search results issued by 3rd-party commercial vendors, including online vendors, such as myBackCheck.com, backcheck.net, Commissionaires Identification Services, CSI Background Screening, etc. are **not acceptable**.

Please visit your local police station for more information on processing times, identification requirements, etc.

If your local police service is not listed but they do provide criminal record search services, please ensure that it covers the CPIC database **and includes outstanding entries**, such as charges and warrants, and current and all previous names.

Overseas checks are not acceptable.

An acceptable criminal record search is considered by the College to be valid for 6 months from the date of issuance, and must remain valid until issuance of your certificate of registration.

For more information, please contact Registration Inquiries by telephone at (416) 967-2617 or by email at inquiries@cpso.on.ca.

Ontario Jurisdictions

On November 1, 2018, the *Police Record Checks Reform (PRCR) Act* came into effect in Ontario. The *PRCR Act* provides a comprehensive framework and province-wide standards for how police record checks are requested and conducted. Under the *PRCR Act*, police forces in Ontario are authorized to conduct three types of police record checks: (i) Criminal Record check; (ii) Criminal Record and Judicial Matters check; and (iii) Vulnerable Sector check.

For the purpose of Registration, the College requires applicants to provide a (ii) **Criminal Record and Judicial Matters check** if processed in Ontario. Vulnerable sector checks are also acceptable. Please contact your local police station for further clarification if required.

Jurisdictions Outside Ontario

Please note that the links provided are to assist you in locating more information from police services in Canada regarding criminal record searches. While the College makes every effort to keep these links up to date, we cannot predict when websites will change, which may result in broken links.

	Acceptable Check	Website
Alberta		
Calgary Police Service	Police Information Check	http://www.calgary.ca/cps/Pages/Public-services/Police-information-checks.aspx
Edmonton Police Service	Police Information Check	http://www.edmontonpolice.ca/communitypolicing/operationalservices/policeinformationcheck.aspx
Lethbridge Police Service	Police Information Check	https://www.lethbridgepolice.ca/police-information-check
Medicine Hat Police Service	Police Information Check	http://medicinehatpolice.com/posts/post/142
British Columbia		
Delta Police Department	Police Information Check	https://deltapolice.ca/community-services/police-information-check/
Saanich Police Department	Police Information Check	http://www.saanichpolice.ca/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=207&itemid=12
Vancouver Police Department	Police Information Check	http://vancouver.ca/police/organization/records-checks-fingerprinting/index.html
Victoria Police Department	Police Information Check	https://vicpd.ca/police-information-checks
West Vancouver Police Department	Police Information Check	https://wvvpd.ca/index.php/forms-sp-626271077
Manitoba		
Brandon Police Service	Vulnerable Sector Check	http://police.brandon.ca/criminal-record-checks
Winnipeg Police Service	Criminal Record Search Certificate	http://www.winnipeg.ca/police/pr/pic.stm
New Brunswick		
Edmundston Police Service	Criminal Record Check with Vulnerable Sector Search	http://edmundston.ca/en/services-aux-citoyens/police
Fredericton Police Force	Criminal Record Check	http://www.fredericton.ca/en/publicsafety/securityclearance.asp

Miramichi Police Force	Criminal Record Check	http://miramichi.org/en/police-department/
Saint John Police Force	Vulnerable Sector Check	http://www.saintjohn.ca/en/home/cityhall/publicsafety/police/services/lawenforcement/criminalinvestigationsdivision/forensicidentificationsection/criminalrecordchecks.aspx
Newfoundland and Labrador		
Royal Newfoundland Constabulary	Criminal Record and Vulnerable Sector Check	https://www.rnc.gov.nl.ca/services/certificate-of-conduct/
Nova Scotia		
Amherst Police Department	Criminal Record and Vulnerable Sector Check	https://www.amherst.ca/police-department.html
Annapolis Royal Police Department	Criminal Record and Vulnerable Sector Check	https://annapolisroyal.com/town-hall/contacts/
Cape Breton Regional Police Service	Criminal Record and Vulnerable Sector Check	https://www.cbrps.ca/criminal-records-check.html
Halifax Regional Police	Vulnerable Sector Check	http://www.halifax.ca/police/CriminalRecordCheck.php
Kentville Police Service	Criminal Record Check	http://kentville.ca/police-2/
Prince Edward Island		
Charlottetown Police	Canadian Police Certificate (NOTE: this check is ONLY acceptable for PEI residents)	http://www.charlottetownpolice.com/criminal-records-check
Summerside Police Services	Criminal Record and Vulnerable Sector Check	https://summerside.ca/residents/police_services/criminal_record_vulnerable_sector_backg/
Québec		
Sûreté du Québec	Vérification de l'Existence d'Antécédents	http://www.suretequebec.gouv.qc.ca/
Service de police de la Ville de Montréal	Certificat de Bonne Conduite <i>or</i> Attestation d'Absence	http://www.spm.qc.ca/en/service/verification-antecedents-judiciaires-particulier.asp

	d'Antécédents	
Service de police de la Ville de Mont-Tremblant	Certificat de Recherche d'Empêchements	http://www.villedemont-tremblant.qc.ca/servicesMunicipaux.php?section=106
Service de police de la Ville de Québec	Vérification des Antécédents Criminels	http://www.ville.quebec.qc.ca/citoyens/police/verification_antecedents/index.aspx
Service de police de la Ville de Sherbrooke	Vérification d'Antécédents Criminels	http://www.ville.sherbrooke.qc.ca/fr/services-municipaux/service-de-police/presentation-du-service/
Saskatchewan		
Moose Jaw Police Service	Criminal Occurrence Security Check	http://www.mjpolice.ca/resources/CriminalRecordCheck
Prince Albert Police Service	Criminal Occurrence Security Check	https://papolice.ca/resources/crc/
Regina Police Service	Criminal Record Check Employment / Work Related	http://www.reginapolice.ca/resources/criminal-record-check/
Saskatoon Police Service	Criminal Records Check with Vulnerable Sector	http://www.police.saskatoon.sk.ca/index.php?loc=programs/cosc.php
Weyburn Police Service	Criminal Occurrence Security Check	http://weyburnpolice.ca/criminal-records/

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