

Acceptable Criminal Record Search Guide

This document has information about the Canadian Police Information Centre (CPIC) checks needed for your application to practice medicine in Ontario.

- ✓ **An acceptable CPIC is valid for 6 months** from the date of issuance **and must remain valid** until your certificate of registration is issued by the College. If the CPIC expires before your certificate is issued, you will need to obtain another CPIC.

- ✓ **Accepted CPIC checks include:**
 - Ontario police department checks:
 - Level 2 Criminal Record and Judicial Matters checks (CRJMC) or
 - Level 3 Vulnerable Sector checks (VSC).
 - Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) checks:
 - Available for Canadian residents AND international physicians.
 - Level 2 checks from third-party commercial vendors myBackCheck.com (for those residing in Nova Scotia) or Triton.
 - Checks from other Canadian provinces that are listed in the table below.

- ✗ **NOT Accepted CPIC checks include:**
 - If processed by an Ontario police department:
 - Criminal Record check (CRC) (also known as a Level 1 Check or Clearance Letter).
 - Some third-party commercial and online vendors: Certn, backcheck.net, Commissionaires Identification Services, CSI Background Screening, myBackCheck.com (other than myBackCheck.com for those residing in Nova Scotia), etc.
 - Checks completed by an international police station outside of Canada.

- ✓ **Ensure your CPIC includes the following:**
 - the CPIC database,
 - correct date of birth,
 - outstanding entries, such as charges and warrants, and
 - full current and all previous names.

- ✓ **If you do not have a Canadian address, obtain a criminal record check:**
 - From the RCMP:
 - <https://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/en/steps-getting-a-certified-criminal-record-check>
 - Through a local Canadian police station or an acceptable third-party vendor. Please confirm directly with the police station or third-party vendor if you are required to have a Canadian address.

- ✓ **For more information, contact:**
 - Your Canadian police station, the RCMP, or the third-party vendor for processing times, identification requirements, and more information about their services.
 - CPSO for registration-related inquiries by telephone at (416) 967-2617 or email inquiries@cpso.on.ca.

Table of Acceptable Canadian Police Information Centre (CPIC) checks

Please note that the links provided are to assist you in locating more information from police services in Canada regarding criminal record searches and may change over time.

For registration, CPSO 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.

	Acceptable Check	Website
Outside of Canada		
Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP)	Certified Criminal Record Check	https://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/en/criminal-record-checks
Triton	Criminal Record Check	https://www.tritoncanada.ca/online-police-checks/?utm_term=triton%20police%20check&utm_source=adwords&utm_medium=ppc&utm_campaign=Branded&hsa_acc=5873717669&hsa_mt=e&hsa_net=adwords&hsa_cam=698401596&hsa_tgt=aud-405578235322:kwd-370840288761&hsa_kw=triton%20police%20check&hsa_ver=3&hsa_src=q&hsa_ad=594863909498&hsa_grp=54405763147&gad_source=1&gclid=EAlaIQobChMI89SOgqvJhAMV_w2tBh3N_gttEAYASAAEgJiQfD_BwE
Ontario		
Police Service in Ontario	Level 2: Criminal Record and Judicial Matters check; or Level 3: Vulnerable Sector check.	See local police or Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) service. https://oacpcertificate.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/List-of-Ontario-Police-Websites.pdf
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/operations/policoinformationcheck.aspx
Lethbridge Police Service	Police Information Check	https://www.lethbridgepolice.ca/
Medicine Hat Police Service	Police Information Check	http://medicinehatpolice.com/posts/post/142

British Columbia		
Delta Police Department	Police Information Check	https://www.deltapolice.ca/
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://westvanpolice.ca/
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	https://www.policolutions.ca/checks/services/fredericton/index.php
Miramichi Police Force	Criminal Record Check	http://miramichi.org/en/police-department/
Saint John Police Force	Vulnerable Sector Check	https://www.policolutions.ca/checks/services/saintjohn/index.php
Newfoundland and Labrador		
Royal Newfoundland Constabulary	Criminal Record and Vulnerable Sector Check	https://www.rnc.gov.nl.ca/what-we-do/criminal-record-screening-certificate-vulnerable-sector-check/
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
Kings District	Criminal Record and Vulnerable Sector Check	https://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/detach/en/d/381
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://www.summerside.ca/emergency_services/summerside_police_services#:~:text=To%20obtain%20a%20criminal%20background,be%20paid%20at%20City%20Hall.
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 or Attestation d'Absence	https://spvm.qc.ca/fr/Fiches/Details/Verification-des-antecedents
	d'Antécédents	
Service de police de la Ville de Mont-Tremblant	Certificat de Recherché d'Empêchements	https://www.villedemont-tremblant.qc.ca/citoyens/securite/police-sq
Service de police de la Ville de	Vérification des Antécédents	https://www.ville.quebec.qc.ca/citoyens/police/intervention/services/filtrage-securite/verification-antecedents-judiciaires-fins-civiles.aspx

Québec	Criminels	
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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