



Australian Government

Department of Immigration
and Citizenship

Character requirements penal clearance certificates

Form

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Everyone who wishes to enter Australia is required to be of good character.

In order for the Australian Government to determine whether you are of good character, you may be asked to provide a police certificate. **Unless otherwise advised by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (the department), police certificates are not required for persons under the age of 16 years.**

This form explains how to obtain a police certificate. Please check the list of countries and areas below. If you have lived in any one of them for a total of one year or more in the last 10 years, you must get a police certificate from the authorities in that country or area.

If a country is not listed, please contact the nearest office of the department for further information.

Police certificates are often only available to current residents or to citizens. Where these restrictions apply, it will be indicated under the relevant country. For some countries, different procedures are shown for residents and non-residents.

Note: The term 'residents' under each country listing refers to applicants who are currently residing in that particular country.

Details shown are subject to change without notice by the authorities of the relevant country, and the Australian government can take no responsibility for their accuracy.

All details concerning you that are provided to the Australian government by a foreign government or law enforcement authority will be treated as confidential. For further details, see information form 993i, *Safeguarding your personal information*. This form is available on the department's website www.immi.gov.au/allforms/

COUNTRIES WHERE POLICE CERTIFICATES MUST BE OBTAINED BY VISA APPLICANTS

AFRICA AND MIDDLE EAST

Algeria, Bahrain, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Egypt, Eritrea, Gambia (The), Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Iran, Israel, Ivory Coast, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Malawi, Mali, Mauritius, Morocco, Namibia, Nigeria, Oman, Qatar, Reunion, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Swaziland, Syria, Tanzania, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

SOUTH AMERICA AND CARIBBEAN

Anguilla, Antigua & Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, Bolivia, Brazil, Cayman Islands, Chile (Republic of), Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, French Guyana, Grenada, Guadeloupe, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Martinique, Mayotte, Mexico, Montserrat, Netherlands Antilles, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, St Christopher & Nevis, St Lucia, St Vincent & The Grenadines, Surinam, Trinidad & Tobago, Turks & Caicos, Uruguay, Venezuela, Virgin Islands (British).

EUROPE AND NORTH AMERICA

Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus (Republic of), Cyprus (Turkish occupied areas), Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia (Former Yugoslav Republic of), Malta, Mexico, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro (Republic of), Netherlands (The), Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, San Marino, Serbia (Republic of), Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States of America, Uzbekistan, Vatican City.

ASIA/PACIFIC

Afghanistan, Australia, Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, Burma, Cambodia, China (People's Republic of), The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Taiwan and Macau, Fiji, French Polynesia, Guam, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kiribati, Korea (Republic of), Laos, Malaysia, Marshall Islands (Republic of), Micronesia (Federated States of), Myanmar, Nauru, Nepal, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa (US), Samoa (Western), Singapore, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Vietnam, Wallis & Futuna.

If a country is not listed, please contact the nearest departmental office for further information

Police Addresses

AFGHANISTAN

Relevant document – ‘Certificate’
Apply **Residents** Deputy Commissioner (SECURITY)
At Local Police station or the nearest Ministry of Interior Office
Apply **Non-residents** to their nearest Afghan consulate/embassy
Fee nil
Form apply in writing enclosing a letter of introduction from the department

ALBANIA

Relevant document – ‘Certificate of the Judicial status’ (Vertetim i Gjendjes Gjyqesore)
Apply to the Ministry of Justice in person or through an immediate family member or a friend who must present a power of attorney
Fee payable
Form obtained on application

ALGERIA

Resident and Non-resident citizens

Relevant document – ‘Judicial Certificate’ (Certificat du Casier Judiciaire)
Apply Ministry of Justice
At Tribunal Office Department (Wilaya) in place of residence in Algeria

ANDORRA

Relevant document – ‘Good Conduct Certificate’ (Certificat de Bonne Conduite)
Apply in person or by mail to La Battlie,
At Avenue Tarragona 62
Edefici Les Columnes
Andorre La Vieille
Principaute D’Andorre
Provide copy of identity card, passport or residence card
Fee payable

ANGUILLA

Apply in person or by mail to Police Headquarters
At The Valley
Phone 809-497 2333
Provide full personal and passport details
Fee payable

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

Apply in person or by mail to Police Headquarters
At American Road
St John’s
Antigua
Phone 809-462 2095
Provide a copy of your birth certificate and 2 photographs. Persons applying by mail may also need to provide a set of fingerprints certified by a recognised police authority and a list of places and dates of residence
Fee payable

ARGENTINA

Relevant document – ‘Certificado de Antecedentes Penales’
Apply **Residents** in person to the Registro Nacional de Reincidencia Tucuman 1353, Capital Federal – Buenos Aires or Registro Provincial de las Personas
Website www.dnrec.jus.gov.ar
Provide Document of National Identity (DNI)
Apply **Non-residents** at the Argentine Embassy or Consulate or use form 80 with Consent form attached at the departmental office/Post processing your application
Provide DNI number must be included on form 80 and Consent form signed and witnessed
Fee payable
Form form 80 available from the department or website www.immi.gov.au

ARMENIA

Relevant document – ‘Police certificates’ (certificate of existence/absence of criminal record)
Apply **Residents** in person to Consular Administration of Ministry for Foreign Affairs
At Government House
2 Republic Square
Yerevan 375010
Phone (3741) 523531. Fax 151042
Non-residents through relatives in Armenia or to nearest Armenian Embassy or Consulate in India, Syria or Beirut
Provide passport (copy not acceptable)
Fee payable
Form on application

AUSTRALIA

Relevant document – ‘Certificate of No Criminal Record’
Apply by mail to Criminal Records
Australian Federal Police
At Locked Bag 1
Weston ACT 2611
Provide a completed form 1101, obtainable from the nearest departmental office or Australian mission overseas plus evidence of identity.
Resident applicants should provide a stamped self-addressed envelope.
Non-resident applicants should provide an international postal reply coupon
Fee payable by bank cheque or international money order (if non-resident)

AUSTRIA

Relevant document – ‘Certificate of the Penal Registry’ (Strafregisterbescheinigung)
Apply **Residents**
1 Bundespolizeikommissariat and
2 Bezirkshauptmannschaft
Non-residents in person at the nearest Austrian Embassy or Consulate
At the police station or local government at last registered residential address
Provide passport or Austrian ID with photograph
Fee payable
Form from local police station/local government or Austrian representatives abroad

AZERBAIJAN

Relevant document – ‘Police certificate’
Apply **Residents** Administration of Operational Statistic Information of Ministry of Interior
At 7 Gusi Gadjeva Street
Baku 370005
Phone (99412) 986396, 909285
Non-residents through relatives in Azerbaijan, or by mail as above, or to Moscow, or nearest Consulate of Azerbaijan Republic
Provide passport or ‘query’ with indication of name, patronymic, surname, maiden name, date and place of birth, purpose of stay in Azerbaijan
Form standard ‘query’ or free form of ‘query’

BAHAMAS

Apply Officer in Charge
Criminal Records Office
At PO Box N 458
Nassau
Provide name, date and place of birth, passport number, place of residence in the Bahamas, one photograph and a certified set of fingerprints
Fee payable

BAHRAIN

Relevant document – ‘Good Conduct Certificate’
Apply **Residents** in person or by mail to the Ministry of Interior
Public Security
Criminal Investigation Directorate
Non-residents in person to any Bahraini Embassy
Provide **Residents** copy of passport with information pages and the pages with Bahraini resident stamps; 2 passport size photos, non-glossy with a blue background; full set of fingerprints taken at local police station, must have police stamp on card containing fingerprints
Non-residents copy of current and all previous passports that contain Bahraini residence permits, copy of latest Bahraini resident permit, 3 non-glossy passport size photos with a blue background
Form to be completed and signed by the applicant at the Embassy
Fee payable

BANGLADESH

Relevant document – ‘Police Clearance Certificate’
Apply **Resident citizens** contact local police station
Resident non-citizens contact Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) in Dhaka
Non-resident citizens contact local police station in Bangladesh via a relative/friend or via nearest Bangladeshi overseas mission
Non-resident non-citizens write to MFA or approach nearest Bangladeshi mission, which will forward request to MFA Dhaka

Provide *Resident citizens, resident non-citizens and non-resident citizens* upon application, authorities will advise what information/documents should be provided, if any
Non-resident non-citizens a photograph plus full personal details including addresses in Bangladesh

BARBADOS

Apply Commissioner of Police
At PO Box 84
Bridgetown
Phone 246 430 7100
Provide 2 photographs and a set of fingerprints
Fee payable

BELARUS

Relevant document – ‘Police certificate’
Apply *Residents* in person to Central Information and Analytical Administration of the Ministry of Interior
At Minsk or any regional city
Non-residents in person or by mail to nearest Belarus Embassy in country of residence, or via relatives in Belarus, or by mail to Ministry of Interior
Gorodskoy val, 2
Minsk
Provide passport original or certified copy, application
Phone 222 2665

BELGIUM

Relevant document – ‘Extract from Judicial Record’
(Extrait du Casier Judiciaire [French],
‘Uittreksel uit het Strafregister’ [Flemish])
Apply in person or by mail to
At Service public fédéral Justice
Service du Casier judiciaire central
Porte de Hal 5–8
1060 Bruxelles
Provide (i) If applying in person: a passport or Belgian ID card;
(ii) If applying by mail from Belgium: a signed letter providing full name (with pre-marital name if applicable), date and place of birth, address in Belgium and reason for request;
(iii) If applying by mail from outside Belgium: a letter signed by each applicant giving full names in capital letters, all given names, date and place of birth, nationality and reason for request, a copy of passport or identity document and a self-addressed envelope with sufficient return postage
Fee none payable (no need to provide coupons)

BELIZE

Apply Immigration Office
At Barrack Road
Belize City
Provide full name (including former name(s) if applicable), date and place of birth, passport number, period of residence in Belize, a set of fingerprints and 3 photographs
Fee payable

BERMUDA

Apply Commissioner of Police
(Attention: Admin Dept Police HQ)
At PO Box 530
Hamilton 5
Provide full names (including previous and maiden names), date and place of birth, nationality, dates and addresses of residence in Bermuda, as well as the full address of the office or post where the application to enter Australia is being processed. Police will send details directly to the office or post

BOLIVIA

Relevant document – Certificado de Antecedentes
Apply *Residents* in person to Policia Nacional Dirección Nacional de Fiscalización y Recaudaciones
Non-residents must appoint a Notary Public or a friend/relative living in Bolivia with power of attorney to request a penal clearance certificate on their behalf at Policia Nacional Dirección Nacional de Fiscalización y Recaudaciones
At the nearest Policia Tecnica Judicial
Fee payable

BOSNIA HERZEGOVINA

Relevant document – ‘Certificate of No Conviction’
(Uvjerenje o Nekaznjavanju)
For any prior conviction
Apply *Residents* Ministry of Internal Affairs (MUP), at Police station in place of residence or birth
Non-residents Ministry of Internal Affairs (MUP), at Police station in place of last residence or birth, in person or authority may be given to a relative, friend or lawyer in Bosnia to act on the applicant’s behalf
For any current legal proceedings/charges
Apply *Residents* Municipal Court at the place of residence (Opcinski Sud/Osnovni Sud)
Non-residents Municipal Court at the place of last residence (Opcinski Sud/Osnovni Sud) in person or authority may be given to a relative, friend or lawyer in Bosnia to act on the applicant’s behalf
Provide ID card, birth certificate or citizenship certificate
Fee payable
Form application form, requiring full details of applicant, obtainable at police stations and courts

BOTSWANA

Apply Criminal Investigation Dept
At Botswana Police Force
PO Box 1082
Gaborone
Provide full name, date and place of birth, dates of residence in Botswana, by whom employed and place of residence

BRAZIL

Relevant document – ‘Alestado de Bons Antecedentes’ (Police Certificate) for National Clearance
Apply *Residents* in person to the office of the Federal Police (Policia Federal) in state/city of residence. Applicants unable to apply in person can give power of attorney (Procuração) to a relative/friend to obtain the document on their behalf. The power of attorney (Procuração) needs to specify the reasons for the request and be accompanied by a certified copy of the applicant’s ID card
Non-residents via power of attorney (Procuração) given to a relative/friend to obtain the document on their behalf. The power of attorney (Procuração) needs to specify the reasons for the request and be accompanied by a certified copy of the applicant’s ID card
Fee nil
Provide to the department’s processing office
All applicants complete form 80 attaching non-certified copies of:
– Identity card (both sides)
– Brazilian Tax card (CPF)
– Passport ID page
Form form 80 available from the department or website www.immi.gov.au

BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

Relevant document – ‘Police Certificate of Good Conduct’
Apply *Residents* in person to:
Director of Criminal Investigation Department
Commissioner of Police,
Police Headquarters Gadong,
Bandar Seri Begawan,
Negara Brunei Darussalam BE 1710
Phone 673 245 9500 ext 324
Apply *Non-residents* can ask a representative in Brunei Darussalam to obtain a clearance on their behalf. If this is not possible, the applicant should approach the Brunei Darussalam mission in their country of residence to apply. See website www.mfa.gov.bn for details
Provide a letter stating full name, date of birth, address, purpose of application, period of stay in Brunei, details of employment in Brunei (if applicable), a copy of current passport and a copy of identity card stating the colour (if still available)
Fee payable

BULGARIA

Relevant document – ‘Conviction Status Certificate’
(Svidetelstvo za Sudimost)
Apply *Resident citizens* local Court in area of residence (under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Justice)
Non-resident citizens in person at a Bulgarian Embassy or Consulate in the area of residence
Fee payable

BURKINA FASO

Apply Ministry of Justice
At Ouagadougou

BURMA

(See MYANMAR)

BURUNDI

Relevant document – Extract of Police Record

Apply **Resident and non-resident citizens** apply to the Commissioner Mr DoYI DOYI Salvator or to the deputy Commissioner Mr SEKAGNADA Bernard

Provide National identity card or a completed certificate of identity. For first time applicants a passport photograph is needed

Fee 100 Bundian francs (1000fbu)

CAMBODIA

Apply **Residents**

At Ministry of Justice
Sothearos Bld
Phnom Penh

Non-residents
Chief of Police of local Sangkat (Province)
Fee payable

CANADA

Relevant document – Police Certificate for Visa Purposes (**residents with no prior record**), OR Certified Criminal Record Check (**residents with prior record and non-residents**)

Apply **Residents** with no prior record in person to local police or provincial police station.

Residents with prior record and **Non-Residents** by mail to:

PO Box 8885
Ottawa, Ontario K1G 3M8
CANADA
Attn: Civil Fingerprint Screening Services
By messenger/courier:
RCMP
National Police Services Building
Loading Dock #1
Information and Identification Services
Civil Fingerprint Screening Services
1200 Vanier Parkway
Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0R2
CANADA

Website www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca

Provide in Canada, if required, fingerprints on Form C-216C
Outside Canada, provide fingerprints signed by police officer taking prints, full name, date of birth, gender, telephone information and clear reason for application

Fee payable

CAPE VERDE ISLANDS

Apply to Ministry of Justice
At Praia

CAYMAN ISLANDS

Apply Police Headquarters
Fingerprint Bureau
Royal Cayman Islands Police

At PO Box 909
George Town
Grand Cayman
British West Indies

Provide full name, passport number, nationality, period of residence and a full set of fingerprints

CHILE

Apply using form 80
At the departmental office/post processing your application

Provide proof of identity
Form form 80 from the department or website www.immi.gov.au

CHINA, PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF

Relevant document – 'Notary Certificate of No Criminal Convictions'

Apply Applicants (or authorised person) must apply in person at the Notary Public Office in the province/city/district of previous residence in China. Application by mail will not be accepted

Provide **Citizens** original ID card; original Permanent Residence Registration (*hukou*) booklet; original 'No Criminal Convictions' certificate (*wu fan zui zheng ming*) from the Personal Dossier Department; and authorisation letter (if applying via a third party). To obtain the 'No Criminal Convictions' certificate from Personal Dossier Department, applicants must apply with the following documents: original ID card; original file card (*cun tang ka*); and the authorisation letter (if applying via a third party)

Non-citizens original passport (or copy of passport which has been certified by the Chinese Embassy or Consulate overseas); original Temporary Resident Card (*ju liu zheng*); original Police Clearance certificate (*wu fan zui ji lu zheng ming*) from the Chinese Public Security Bureau (PSB); and authorisation letter (if applying via a third party cable).

To obtain the Police Clearance certificate from the PSB, non-citizens must provide the following documents: original passport(s) (or copy of passport(s) which has been certified by the Chinese Embassy or Consulate overseas) – including both the current passport and any old passports in which the Chinese visa was attached; a letter from the work unit or university/school where the non-citizen worked or studied while in China; and an authorisation letter (if applying via a third party). The PSB will only issue Police Clearance certificates to applicants with Z (Work), X (Student) and W (Diplomatic) visa classes. Holders of other classes of visa will need to enquire directly with the PSB for local procedures to obtain police clearance certificates

Note Application procedures may differ slightly between different provinces, districts or cities. Applicants are encouraged to confirm the procedure directly with the local PSB and/or Public Notary Office

Fee payable

HONG KONG

(SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION)

Relevant document – 'Certificate of No Criminal Conviction' (CNCC)

Apply Hong Kong (SAR) Police Identification Bureau, **Residents** in person to the CNCC Office

Non-residents by mail to The Commissioner of Police (Att: OIC CNCC)

At 14/F, Arsenal House
Police Headquarters
1 Arsenal Street, Wan Chai
Hong Kong

Phone (852) 2860 6557 (local)
or (852) 2860 6558 (overseas)

Fax (852) 2200 4321

Provide passport or Hong Kong ID card, original and photocopy of the referral letter from the departmental office processing your application. Fingerprints: **Residents** taken at interview; **Non-residents** must obtain and send fingerprints certified (name, rank, full name of agency and date) by the police agency of the country of residence

Note **Residents** Where an applicant is seeking to obtain 'Certificates of No Criminal Conviction' for him/herself, a spouse and/or children, original proof of the applicant's marriage and the children's relationship to the applicant (marriage and birth certificates) must be provided. In the case of a step-child, the original and a photocopy of the relevant marriage certificate and documentary proof of the step-child's relationship to the applicant must be provided. The original documents will be returned

Applicants residing in Australia who need to obtain a Hong Kong police clearance must firstly lodge their visa application. A letter of referral from the visa office requesting the clearance must be issued before a clearance can be applied for and this referral letter must be submitted when applying to the Hong Kong authorities payable

Fee **Residents** obtained at a pre-arranged interview with HKP or can be downloaded from the following website www.info.gov.hk/police. The email address for further info is eo-cncc-ib@police.gov.hk

Non-residents obtained from email above

TAIWAN

- Relevant document** – Police Criminal Record Certificate
- Apply** Municipal Police Headquarters – Foreign Affairs Division
For Taipei residents
- At** 96 Yen Ping South Road
Taipei
- Phone** (02) 2381 8271
For Kaohsiung residents
No 260, Chung Cheng 4th Rd,
Kaohsiung
- Phone** (07) 212 0800
persons with household registrations elsewhere should apply to the relevant provincial police headquarters
- Provide** application form, available from the relevant office, and supporting documentation. Contact relevant authority for current instructions. See website www.npa.gov.tw
- Fee** payable

MACAU

- Relevant document** – ‘Certificate of criminal record’
- Apply** **Residents** over 16 to:
Avenida da Praia Grande
No. 804 Edf China Plaza 1
Andar Macau
Non-residents over 16 to:
Avenida da Praia Grande
No. 804 Edf China Plaza 1
Andar Macau
or by mail - PO Box 1089 Macaur SAR
(if outside Macau)
- Provide** **Residents** Macau Resident Identity Card (BIR)
Non-residents present proof of residence in Macau (residence permit, Identity permit of non-resident worker and valid travel documents)
- Form** further information is available on the following website www.dsi.gov.mo
- Fee** payable

COLOMBIA

- Citizens and Non-citizens over 18 residing in Colombia**
- Relevant document** – Certificado Judicial
- Apply** in person at the regional centres of Departamento Administrativo de Seguridad (DAS) – appointment required, refer to www.das.gov.co
- Provide** 2 photos; original of Cedula de Ciudadania (citizens only); passport, photocopy of passport ID page
- Fee** no fee
Citizens and former residents outside Colombia:
- Relevant document** – Certificado Judicial Consular
- Apply** at the nearest Colombian consulate
- Provide** a signed application with a photo and fingerprints
- Fee** no fee
- Note** applicants can obtain further information from www.das.gov.co

COSTA RICA

- Apply** **Residents** in person to Suprema Corte de Justicia (Supreme Court)
- At** Registro Judicial
300 mts sur de la Asamblea Legislativa
Edificio OIJ 3° Piso
Corte Suprema de Justicia
San José
- Phone** (506) 295 3460
- Provide** proof of identity and/or present passport and complete names of both parents
- Fee** payable
Non-residents apply in person to the nearest Costa Rica Embassy or Consulate
- Provide** proof of identity and present passport
- Fee** payable

CROATIA

- Relevant document** – ‘Certificate of No Convictions’ (Potvrda o Nekaznjavanju)
- Apply** *For any prior conviction*
Ministry of Justice (Ministarstvo Pravosudja)
Department for Penal Law Section for Criminal Records (Uprava za Kazneno pravo odjel za kaznenu evidenciju)
Savska 41/25 (‘Zagrepcanka’)
10000 Zagreb
For any current legal proceedings/charges
Municipal Court at the place of residence (Opcinski Sud)
- At** **Residents** directly at the above address in person or by mail
Non-residents at the nearest Croatian Embassy/Consulate
- Provide** ID card (Osobna Iskaznica), Citizenship Certificate (Domovnica) or birth certificate
- Fee** payable
- Form** available only if applying in person, no form required if applying by mail

CUBA

- Relevant document** – Police clearance ‘Certificado de Antecedentes’
- Apply** **Residents** in Ministerio de Justicia
- At** Ministerio de Justicia
Prado y Carcel
- Provide** proof of identity
Non-residents through Cuban Consular Offices or Consultoria Juridica Internacional or through giving relative or friend in Cuba written authority
- Provide** evidence of their legal stay (temporary or definitive) and proof of identity
- Fee** payable

CYPRUS, REPUBLIC OF

- Relevant document** – ‘Police Clearance’ (form P. 8)
- Apply** **Residents** in person at the local police station
Non-residents by mail to Police Headquarters
- At** Nicosia
- Provide** full name, full names of parents, date and place of birth, passport number and place of issue, ID card number, current and permanent addresses, reason for request, 2 current passport size photos, which have been certified by an authorised person
- Fee** payable
- Form** application forms available, but not essential

CYPRUS (TURKISH OCCUPIED AREAS)

- Relevant document** – **Resident ‘nationals’** - ‘Police Clearance’ (form P.19)
- Apply** by mail to Divisional Police Headquarters Nicosia
- Provide** full name, full names of parents, date and place of birth, passport number and place of issue, ID card number, current and permanent addresses, reason for request, profession, army number, desired language for certificate, 2 photos attested by the mukhtar and initialled by the applicant
- Fee** payable

CZECH REPUBLIC

- Relevant document** – ‘Police Clearance Certificate’ (Zádost o Vypis z Rejstriku Trestu)
- Apply** **Residents** Rejstrik Trestu GP CR, in person or by mail
- At** Soudni 1
145 00 Praha 4
Non-residents in person at the nearest Czech diplomatic mission
- Provide** **Residents** Czech ID or birth certificate;
Non-residents passport and original birth certificate accompanied by a certified Czech translation
- Fee** payable
- Forms** available in Prague at Rejstrik Trestu or any Registrar’s office (matrika) or District Prosecutor’s office (Statni zastupitelstvi) in town of residence

DENMARK

Relevant document – Crime Certificate (Straffeattest)

- Apply** **Residents** the local Police Station
Non-residents in person or by mail to Rigspolitichefen
- At** Afdeling D Kriminalregistret
Post Box 93
2650 Hvidovre
Non-citizen applicants apply to:
Domhuset Nytorv
1450 Copenhagen K
Denmark
- Provide** copy of passport, birth certificate, Central Persons Register number (CPR), non-citizen applicants provide details of passport identification and Danish visa pages

DOMINICA

- Apply** Commissioner of Police
Criminal Investigation Department
- At** Police Headquarters Roseau
- Phone** 809-448 2222
- Provide** full personal details, a set of fingerprints and 2 photographs authenticated on the reverse by a Justice of the Peace, Notary Public or Solicitor
- Fee** payable

DJIBOUTI

- Relevant document** – Certificate of non-conviction or Extract of Police Record
- Apply** **Residents** Ministry of Justice
Non-residents Apply for a Certificate of non-conviction for the time of their stay
- Provide** national identity card, certificate of nationality. Foreign residents should send a copy of their foreign identity card

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

- Apply** Gabinete de Identificación Personal
- At** Policía Nacional
Santo Domingo
- Provide** photocopies of passport pages showing personal particulars, a set of fingerprints certified by police and 3 5cm x 5cm photographs (one in profile)
- Fee** payable

EAST TIMOR

- Relevant document** – Police clearance
- Apply** **Residents** in person at the Office of the Criminal Investigations Unit
National Police of Timor Leste (PNTL), Dili.
Non-residents the Australian Embassy Dili can request clearance. Non-residents must submit a form 80 with their application
- Provide** Timor Leste ID card, passport, 2 colour photographs sized 3 x 4 cm

ECUADOR

- Relevant document** – Certificado de Antecedentes Personales
Citizens and non-citizens (over 18 years of age) residing in Ecuador
- Apply** in person through Policia Nacional del Ecuador Direccion Nacional de la Policia Nacional
- At** Jefaturas y Subjefaturas Provinciales de la Policia Judicial
- Provide** Cedula de Identidad (ID) or passport, a passport size photo
- Fee** payable
- Apply** **Citizens (over 18 years of age) not residing in Ecuador**
through the nearest Ecuadorian Consulate
- At** Agregaduria de Policia (if available in the Consulate)
- Provide** Cedula de Identidad (ID), passport
- Note** Ecuadorians residing outside Ecuador can authorise a relative to obtain the certificate. They need to provide their ID (cedula) as proof of relationship. This form may be issued at a cost of US\$17.00 payable at Puente Portete Y Avenida Barcelona S/N, in Guayaquil, or at the Office of Archivo Central (Police central archive) located at Ave. Cuenca and Mideros St. in Quito. No certificates are obtainable for foreigners who reside in or have resided in Ecuador

EGYPT

- Relevant document** – a 'Certificate of Criminal Status'
- Apply** **Residents** Ministry of Interior
- At** the local Police Station
(will forward to Department of Criminal Investigations, Cairo)
- Non-residents** Egyptian Embassy or Consulate, in person
- Provide** fingerprints from local police
- Fee** payable
- Form** can be bought and stamp duty paid at post offices in Egypt

EL SALVADOR

- Relevant document** – Good Conduct Certificate (Solvencia de la Policía)
- Apply** in person to the
Director General of National Police
- At** Cuartel Central
San Salvador
- Provide** **Residents** identity card (cedula), fingerprints taken at the local police station, 4 identical passport-size, full-face photographs and one (1) of a side profile.
Non-residents should give a power of attorney to a Salvadoran resident
- Provide** original documents (Salvadoran birth certificate, cedula and passport), photographs to the nearest Salvadoran Embassy or Consulate, where fingerprints will be taken. Documents can then be forwarded by applicant to Salvadoran resident
- Fee** payable

ERITREA

- Apply** **Residents**
Criminal Investigation Department
Crime Record Office
PO Box 1223
Asmara, Eritrea
Non-residents nearest Eritrean mission
- Provide** full set of fingerprints
- Fee** payable

ESTONIA

- Relevant document** – Resident citizens 'Criminal Record Check'
- Apply** Karistusregister
(Criminal Records Register)
Politseiamet
(Estonian Police Board)
- At** Paernu mnt 139
15060 Tallinn
- Phone** 612 3468
- Form** available from the website www.pol.ee
- Fee** payable (details on the website)

ETHIOPIA

- Relevant document** – Police certificate
- Apply** **Citizens and non-citizens residing in Ethiopia for 6 months or longer** –
Federal Police Forensic Department
- At** Ethiopian Federal Police Commission
Forensic Investigation Department
PO Box 29507 Addis Ababa
- Phone** 251 1 518000
- Provide** **Citizens residing in Ethiopia** – 2 passport size photos, copies of any passport, national identity cards and correspondence from the office requesting the clearance papers
Citizens not residing in Ethiopia – original fingerprints document from the police authority in resident country, copies of relevant passport pages and correspondence from the office requesting the clearance papers

FIJI

- Relevant document** – 'Police Clearance Certificate'
- Apply** **Residents** in person to
Central Police Station
Joske Street, Suva
Non-residents by mail to
Commissioner of Police
GPO Box 239, Suva, Fiji
- Provide** **All** letter from Processing office requesting penal clearance; a passport sized photo; original or certified copy of Birth Certificate and/or certified copy of passport bio data page
Residents complete form 'A' at the Central Police Station
- Fee** payable
- Form** form 'A' obtainable from Central Police Station, Suva

FINLAND

Relevant document – ‘Extract from Criminal Records’ (Rikosrekisteriote)

Apply by mail or fax to
Legal Register Centre (Oikeusrekisterikeskus)
Criminal Records (Rikosrekisteri)

At PL 157
FIN-13101 Hameenlinna

Phone 03-622 3770

Fax 03-622 3783

Provide reason for check, for which country and language of extract, Finnish security code (henkilotunnus), full name (including maiden/previously used names) date and place (city and country) of birth, citizenship, signature and return mailing address

Fee payable

FRANCE

Relevant document – ‘Extract from Police records’ (Extrait du Casier Judiciaire)

Apply **Residents** and **Non-Residents** by mail to
Casier Judiciaire National

At 107 rue du Landreau
44317 Nantes Cedex 3
(Note: French citizens born in France or in the territories may apply directly at www.cjn.justice.gouv.fr)

Provide hand written signed letter indicating residential address, photocopy of an identity document in French

Form not compulsory, providing letter of request indicates residential address. See also www.cjn.justice.gouv.fr

FRENCH GUYANA

Non-French citizens and French citizens born outside French Guyana

Apply by mail to
Casier Judiciaire National

At 107 rue du Landreau
44079 Nantes Cedex 01
France

Provide proof of identity or residence status in country (photocopy of passport or identity card and ‘Carte de Sejour’)

Form ‘Request for a bulletin no 3’ (Demande de B3)

Apply **French citizens born in French Guyana** by mail to Tribunal de Grande Instance de Cayenne

At Avenue General de Gaulle
97300 Cayenne

Provide identification – full name, date and place of birth, current address and full names of parents

Form ‘Request for a bulletin no 3’ (Demande de B3)

FRENCH POLYNESIA

Relevant document – ‘Extract from Police records’ (Extrait du Casier Judiciaire)

Non-French citizens and French citizens born outside French Polynesia

Apply by mail to
Casier Judiciaire National
107 rue du Landreau
or through the internet at the website - www.justice.gouv.fr/cjn/

At 44079 Nantes Cedex 01
France

Provide proof of identity or residence status in country (photocopy of passport or identity card and ‘Carte de Sejour’)

Fee payable

Form ‘Request for a bulletin no 3’ (Demande de B3)

Apply **French citizens born in French Polynesia** in person or by mail to
Greffier en chef de la cour

At Cour D’Appel du
Tribunal de Tahiti
B.P. 101
Papeete

Fee payable

Form ‘Request for a bulletin no 3’ (Demande de B3)

FUTUNA ISLAND

(See WALLIS & FUTUNA ISLANDS)

GAMBIA

Apply Ministry of Justice

At Banjul

Provide **Local residents:** fingerprints, which can be taken at the local police station
Overseas requests: fingerprints

Fee payable

GEORGIA

Apply **Residents** Information Centre of
Ministry of Interior

At 10 General Gia Guluva Street
Tbilisi 380014

Phone (995 32) 996233

Fax (995 32) 931617

Provide **Non-residents** to nearest Consulate of Georgia
request letter from the department

GERMANY

Relevant document – **Residents** – the ‘Police Good Conduct Certificate’ (Polizeiliches Führungszeugnis)

Apply in person to the local registration office (Einwohnermeldeamt)

At town/city of residence

Fee payable

Relevant document – **Non-residents** – the ‘Police Good Conduct Certificate’ (Polizeiliches Führungszeugnis)

German citizens or former residents outside Germany

Apply nearest German Embassy/Consulate or directly by mail (not fax) to
Der Generalbundesanwalt beim Bundesgerichtshof

At Dienststelle
Bundeszentralregister
Adenauerallee 99-103
53113 Bonn

Provide full personal details and signature officially witnessed by a German diplomatic or consular mission, foreign government agency or a Notary Public. Alternatively, enclose an officially certified copy of passport or ID card containing personal details. The certificate will be issued in German only

Fee payable

GHANA

Relevant document – Police clearance certificate

Apply **Residents** in person
Non-residents by mail to
Commissioner of Police
Ghana Police Service (Headquarters)
Criminal Investigation Department

At PO Box 505
Accra, Ghana

Provide a certified set of the applicant’s fingerprints taken by a recognised police department in resident country, full name, date of birth, place of birth, addresses in Ghana for the last 10 years.
A refugee can apply for a Ghana police certificate. The applicant must provide the UNHCR identification with/in lieu of a passport

Fee payable

GREECE

Relevant document – ‘Penal Certificate for General Use’

Apply **Residents** in person at the Prosecutor’s Office in their local area

Non-citizens in person at the Ministry of Justice
Mesogion 96,
Athens 11527

Or in person at a Greek Embassy/Consulate

Provide full name(s), full name(s) of parents, date and place of birth of applicant and applicant’s parents, last address and details of identity card. For applicants without any form of Greek ID, IOM provides a standard letter of request to the authorities which includes an IOM-allocated registration number

Form available from Prosecutor’s Office and Greek Embassies/Consulates

GRENADA

Apply Certificate Records Office

At Police Headquarters
St George’s

Phone 809-440 1043

Provide details of passport, copy of birth certificate, 2 photographs, a full set of fingerprints (non-residents: prints by recognised police authority), period and addresses of residence

Fee payable

GUADELOUPE

Relevant document – ‘Good Conduct Certificate’ (Certificat de Bonnes Vies et Mœurs)

Apply by mail to
Casier Judiciaire National

At 107 rue du Landreau
44079 Nantes Cedex 01
France

Provide proof of identity or resident status in country (photocopy of passport or identity card and ‘Carte de Séjour’)

GUAM

Relevant document – ‘Court Record Clearance’

Apply **Residents** to the Local Police authority
Non-residents Superior Court of Guam
Records Division

At 120 W O’Brien Drive
Hagatna 96 910

Provide name, date of birth, social security number

Fee payable

GUATEMALA

Relevant document – (1) ‘Police Clearance’, (‘Antecedentes Policiacos’) available from National Police, and
(2) Penal clearance ‘Antecedentes Penales’ (indicating whether judicial process underway or outstanding) from Supreme Court)

Apply (1) Secretaria de la Policía Nacional;
(2) Corte Supreme de Justicia, in person
Certificates may be issued to a third party in possession of written authorisation from the applicant

At (1) Guatemala City, or Regional Headquarters (Jefatura Nacional) National Police (Policía Nacional), in capital of relevant province
(2) National Supreme Court, Guatemala City

Provide (1) national ID card (cedula de vecindad) or passport, 2 sheets of stamped legal paper (papel sellado)
(2) national ID or passport

Fee payable

GUINEA

Apply Guinea Ministry of Justice

At Conakry

GUINEA - BISSAU

Apply Ministry of Justice

At Bissau

GUYANA

Apply **Residents** in person to Police Headquarters
At Eve Leary Kingston
Georgetown (Clearance Office)

Provide right thumbprint and 3 photographs (taken at the time of application)

Fee payable

HAITI

Apply Certificate Records Office

At Police Headquarters
Port-au-Prince

Provide photocopied pages of passport and birth certificate extract, a set of fingerprints and 3 photographs

Fee payable

HONDURAS

Residents – ‘Certificate of Good Conduct’ (Certificado de Buena Conducta)

Apply in person to the National Bureau of Investigations (Direccion Nacional de Investigaciones),

At Tegucigalpa

Provide passport residence book (carnet de residencia), certificates from Honduran ‘Ministerio de Gobernacion y Inmigracion’

Non-citizen married to a Honduran marriage certificate, birth certificates of Honduran children, letters of employment /study, one (1) photo 7.5 x 9 cm, fingerprints taken

Fee payable

HUNGARY

Relevant document – ‘Police Penal Certificate’ (Hatósági Erkölcsi Bizonyítvány)

Apply **Residents** Ministry of the Interior (Belügyminisztérium)

Non-residents Hungarian foreign mission, or authorise a family member to apply on applicant’s behalf. Post application form by registered mail to:

At Belügyminisztérium
PO Box 1943
Budapest

Provide ID number, full names (current and previous), date and place of birth, mother’s maiden name, permanent address

Fee payable

Form **Residents** obtain a ‘Police penal certificate request form’ (Hátósági Erkölcsi Bizonyítvány Kérolap) from any post office

Non-residents complete application form at the foreign mission for forwarding on to the appropriate authorities

ICELAND

Relevant document – ‘Crime Certificate’ (Vottord)

Apply **Residents** the local Police Station in the area of residence

Non-residents in person or by mail to Prosecutor General (Sakasdra Ríkissins),

At Hverfisgata 6
Is-150 Reykjavik

Fee payable

INDIA

Relevant document – ‘Police Clearance Certificate’

Apply **Citizens** Regional Passport Office in person

Resident non-citizens in person at the Ministry of Home Affairs of their state
Non-residents (citizens) nearest Indian High Commission or Consulate or Embassy in country of residence

Non-residents (other national) in writing with relevant information concerning to the stay period (address/time spent) along with personal particulars and reason for the issuance of PCC to Foreigners Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, Jaisalmer House, Mansingh Road, New Delhi

At Foreigners Division
Ministry of Home Affairs
Jaisalmer House
26 Mansingh Road (opposite Taj Mansingh Hotel)

New Delhi – 110 001

Phone 91-011-23389517 / 23385741

Or at Foreigner Regional Registration Office
East Block VIII
Level II

R.K. Puram, Sector-1

New Delhi – 110 022

Phone 91-011-26711443

Form depends on the office conducting the check/producing the certificate

INDONESIA

Relevant document – ‘Good Conduct Certificate’
Surat Keterangan Catatan Kepolisian (SKCK)
Citizen residents (and citizen non-residents if they maintain their Kartu Tanda Penduduk; citizen non-residents without KTP follow procedures for non-citizens)
Apply local district and sub-district police office
OR Police Headquarters (Mabes Polri)
Non-citizens Badan Intelijen Keamanan Mabes Polri
Building D, Room 1013
At Jln Trunojoyo No 3
Kebayoran Baru
Jakarta Selatan
12110
Phone 021 7218270 or 7398181
Provide **Citizen residents** (and citizen non-residents if they maintain their Kartu Tanda Penduduk) resident identification card (KTP).
Non-citizens resident in Indonesia
4 months or longer – letter of application; photocopy of passport (including biodata page and page(s) containing the Indonesian visa and arrival/departure stamps); photocopy of Indonesian residence permit – Karta Izin Tinggal Terbatas (KITAS); photocopy of Indonesian police registration certificate – Surat Keterangan Laporan Diri (SKLD); reference letter from company where person worked (optional); 2 colour photos (4 cm X 6 cm)
Fee payable
Form obtained from the police office
Tourists Not normally registered with police and cannot obtain clearance
Refugees Apply through UNHCR Jakarta

IRAN

Relevant document – ‘Penal Certificate’
Apply **Residents** in person to nearest office of Penal Record and Amnesty Department
At Justice Administration Department
Judicial Power
Non-residents to Iranian Embassy in country of residence (Embassy will forward request to Iranian MFA for PR&AD), or to Interpol in country of residence (that agency will forward request to Interpol Tehran)
Provide 2 photographs and ID card issued by the General Department of Civil Status and Census Registration. Personal details and fingerprints for Interpol
Fee payable

IRELAND

Relevant document – Police Certificate of Character
Apply **Residents** in person
At local Garda Station at place of residence.
Garda Headquarters can provide contact details for local Garda Stations
phone (01) 666 2842 www.garda.ie
Apply **Non-residents** by mail
At Write to Superintendent in charge of district covering the area of your principal place of former residence in Ireland
Provide letter of introduction from the department

ISRAEL

Relevant document – ‘Certificate Attesting Existence/Non-Existence of a Criminal Record’ (Teudat Hameidah Al Rishoum/Header Rishoum Plii)
Apply **Residents** any police station
Non-residents nearest Israeli diplomatic/consular mission, in person
Provide 3 recent passport size photographs and passport, and
Citizens provide identity card or passport
Form an application form must be completed by the applicant at the police station/Israeli diplomatic/consular mission
Note Police Certificates will be provided directly to the Australian Embassy in Tel Aviv for on-forwarding to the relevant departmental processing office in Australia. Police certificates received at the Australian Embassy in Tel Aviv will be forwarded to the relevant processing office in Australia on request from the processing office in Australia through the internal departmental ICSE referrals system. Police certificates will not be provided directly to applicants

PALESTINIANS RESIDENT IN SELF GOVERNMENT RULE AREAS

Relevant document – ‘Police certificate’
Apply Director of Police
Gaza (for Gaza Strip)
Jericho (for West Bank)
At Central Police Stations in major cities
Provide **Residents** ID or passport and 2 passport size photos
Non-residents (via relatives/friends/contacts) 2 photos, copy of travel documents, list of work/home addresses and Power of Attorney giving the relatives/friends/contacts authority to apply for the certificate
Non-resident non-citizens (via friends/contacts) 2 passport size photos certified, copy of travel documents, list of work/home addresses and Power of Attorney giving the relatives/friends authority to apply for the certificate
Fee payable
Form letter of application

ITALY

Relevant document – (1) ‘General Penal Certificate’ (Certificato Generale del Casellario Giudiziale)
(2) ‘Solicitor General’s Certificate of Pending Charges’ (Certificato dei Carichi Pendenti della Procura)
Apply (1) provincial criminal records office (Casellario giudiziale)
(2) Solicitor General’s office (Procura). Both certificates can be obtained in person, or through an authorised friend or relative in Italy, or through the nearest Italian diplomatic/consular authority
At place of residence
Provide identity documents
Fee payable

IVORY COAST

Apply Casier Central Ministry of Justice
At BP V 107 Abidjan
Phone (225) 20 32 08 88
Fee payable

JAMAICA

Apply Jamaica Constabulary Force
At Criminal Investigations Branch
Criminal Records Office
East Queen Street
PO Box 462
Kingston, Jamaica W.I.
Phone (876) 922 3221 or (876) 922 2944
Provide fingerprints (authenticated by police or immigration authority in country of residence); 2 passport size photos (one must be notarised); date and place of birth; address of residence in Jamaica; maiden name, if applicable; name and address of Embassy, Consulate or Immigration authority processing visa application
Fee payable

JAPAN

Relevant document – ‘No Criminal Record Certificate’ (NCRC), ‘Police Clearance’ (Keisatsu Shomeisho, Hanzai Keirei Shomeisho or Muchanzai Shomeisho)
Apply **Residents** Tokyo Public Safety Division, Metropolitan Police Department
At 2-1-1, Kasumigaseki
Chiyoda-Ku
Tokyo;
Other cities
At each prefectural Police Office
Non-residents in person at Japanese Embassy or Consulate
Provide family register, residential certificate, official seal, passport or alien registration card, a letter/evidence from the Australian processing office, fingerprints (taken where you apply for NCRC)
Applicants residing in Australia who want a Japan police clearance need to lodge their application then obtain a letter of authority from the department for the clearance. The letter can then be used to obtain the police clearance payable at some prefectures in Japan obtained when applying
www.keishicho.metro.tokyo.jp
For English version
www.keishicho.metro.tokyo.jp/foreign/apply/tokoue.htm
For Japanese version
www.keishicho.metro.tokyo.jp/tetuzuki/tokou/tokou.htm

JORDAN

Relevant document – Penal Clearance/

Non-Conviction Certificate

Apply inside Jordan in person (applicant should apply in person to get the Non-Conviction Certificate from Ministry of Justice. No one can apply on behalf of the applicant)

Provide full name, date of birth, place of birth, parents' names, fingerprints.

Citizens identity documents (ID, passport)

Non-Citizens identity documents (ID, passport) and Resident Permit

Fee payable

Form obtained on application

Time frame same day

Note The above information is for applicants who want to obtain this certificate from inside Jordan. Applicants can obtain a Non-Conviction Certificate from outside Jordan through any Jordanian Embassy abroad by providing the same documents. This process could take up to 2 months

KAZAKHSTAN

Apply **Residents** to Centre of Legal Statistic and Information General Public Prosecutor's office

At any regional city

Non-residents as above by mail or to (nearest) Consulate of Kazakhstan

Provide passport, an official request from the Australian Embassy with reason for the demand, and evidence that the applicant lived in Kazakhstan, full explanation of reasons for living in Kazakhstan. Address of registration, names of organisations where the applicant worked or studied and the applicant's maiden name (if changed)

Fee payable

KENYA

Relevant document – Kenya Certificate of Good Conduct

Apply Director of Criminal Investigations Department

At PO Box 30036
Nairobi
Kenya

Provide full set of fingerprints taken at any police station. Evidence of immigration status in Kenya may need to be provided before a certificate can be issued

Fee payable

KIRIBATI

Relevant document – Police Clearance Certificate (CR Form 16)

Apply using form 80

At the department office/post processing your application

Form form 80 from the department or website www.immi.gov.au

KOREA, REPUBLIC OF (SOUTH KOREA)

Apply **Residents** in person or by mail to Australian Embassy, Visa Section

At 1 Chongro 1KA

Chongro-Ku

K.P.O. Box 562

Seoul 110-714

Non-residents by mail to Sinwon Ban of Korean National Police Agency (KNPA)

At No 209, Migeum-Dong

Sodaemun-Ku

Seoul 120-704

Republic of Korea

Provide application form(s), one (1) passport size photo (attached to each application form), original family census register and resident register (**citizens**), certified copy of passport (**non-citizens**) and a self-addressed envelope and registration stamps or coupons-response international (CN01) for sending back the criminal background check (**non-resident citizens**).

Non-residents must first attend a Korean Government office (Korean consulate or Embassy) in order to have their application form stamped – if this is not possible, applicant should apply through Australian Embassy and include their visa application number and name of the office of the department where application was lodged

Forms Application for Criminal Background Check – in duplicate – **non-residents** Request for a Korean National 'Police certificate' – in duplicate for **residents**.

Citizens must also provide the Korean language cover sheet. Available at Korean Government offices (Korean consulate or Embassy) or Australian Embassy

KOSOVO

Relevant document – Penal Certificate

Apply **Residents**

Applicant's local Municipality Court

Provide UNMIK Registration paper

Other identification such as passport, utility bill, bank account, etc.

Fee payable

KUWAIT

Relevant document – 'Criminal Status Certificate'

Apply **Residents** in person to Ministry of Interior General Department of Criminal Evidence Kuwait

At **Non-residents** to nearest Kuwait Embassy
A further option is to provide power of attorney to a relative or former employer's Public Relations Officer to lodge an application on your behalf with the Kuwaiti Ministry of Interior, General Department of Criminal Evidence in Kuwait

Provide **Residents** letter from Australian Embassy, passport or identity card and one copy, 2 photos 4 x 6cm

Non-residents documentation required must be confirmed with local authorities

KYRGYZSTAN

Relevant document – 'Police certificate'

Apply **Residents** in person or by mail to

Information Centre

Ministry of Interior

At Frunze Street 469

Bishkek 720011

Phone 265013, 265343

Non-residents as above or to nearest

Kyrgyzstan Consulate

(Consulate nearest Australia is Kuala Lumpur Malaysia

Phone (00603) 21632012

Fax (00603) 21632024

Provide passport or copy, application

Fee payable

LAOS

Relevant document – Penal Certificate

Apply in person

At **Residents** located in Vientiane to the Vientiane Municipality Peoples' Court.

Those residents not located in Vientiane can apply to the local/village authorities

Non-residents can ask relatives and/or friends in Laos to obtain a penal certificate on their behalf. The relative/friend must first confirm the applicant's previous residence with the authority and then seek the certificate

LATVIA

Relevant document – **Resident citizens** – 'Criminal History Check'

Apply in person to Ministry of Interior Information Centre Bruninieku Street 72b
LV 1009
Riga

Phone 3717 208 218

Forms available on Australian Embassy Warsaw website www.australia.pl

LEBANON

Relevant document – 'Non-Conviction Certificates'

Apply **Residents** in person

At Furn El Chebbak Police Station in Beirut

Non-residents to nearest Lebanese Embassy

Provide ID and passport (and individual census documents for **non-residents**)

LESOTHO

Apply Commissioner of Police (Attention: Criminal Records Bureau) Police Headquarters

At Maseru

Provide personal details of residence and employment in Lesotho, and photographs. Fingerprints may subsequently be requested

Fee payable

LIBERIA

Apply Ministry of Justice
At Monrovia

LIBYA

Relevant document – Residents –
'Anthropometrical Record'
Apply in person to Police Station
At **Citizens** area of residence
Non-citizens Police headquarters, Tripoli
Provide completed application form and birth
certificate or passport

LIECHTENSTEIN

Relevant document – Extract from the Police Register
(Gesuch um Auszug aus dem Strafgericht)
Apply by mail to
Fuerstlich Liechtensteinisches Landgericht
At 9490 Vaduz FL
Fee payable

LITHUANIA

Relevant document – Resident citizens – Data record
Apply the Ministry of Internal Affairs
Information Service (Informatikos tarnyba)
At Sverentagio g. 2
LT 01510 Vilnius
Phone (+370) 5 271 7177

LUXEMBOURG

Relevant document – 'Penal Certificate' (Bulletin No. 3
[Extrait du Casier Judiciaire])
Apply in person or by mail to
Palais de Justice
At 18 Cote d'Eich
L-1450 Luxembourg
Provide a letter requesting the document giving
reason for request, photocopy of passport or
identity card

MACEDONIA, FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF

Relevant document – 'Certificate' (Uverenie)
Apply **Residents** in person to the Ministry of Internal
Affairs, (Police Station),
place of residence
At **Non-residents** – Macedonian Consulate,
or family/friends may apply on the applicant's
behalf
Provide ID card
Fee payable
Form obtained on application

MALAWI

Apply Office of the Inspector General
Malawi Police
At Private Bag 305
Capital City
Lilongwe 3
Provide 2 photographs and a complete set of
fingerprints certified by police. Details of
previous and/or current addresses in Malawi,
including dates of residence at these
addresses

MALAYSIA

Relevant document – Certificate of Good Conduct
Apply **Residents** Consular Division,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Malaysia
At Wisma Putra
No 1, Jalan Wisma Putra
Precinct 2
62602 Putrajaya
Malaysia
Phone (603) 88874000
Non-residents should apply at the Malaysian
Embassy or High Commission in their country
of residence
Provide 2 copies of Certificate of Good Conduct form;
2 passport size photos; 2 photocopies of
Identification Card; 2 photocopies of passport
(non-citizens must photocopy all pages); a
stamped, self-addressed envelope; an
introduction letter from employer (non-citizens
only)
Applicants residing in Australia who want
a Malaysian police clearance need to lodge
their application then obtain a letter of
authority from the department for the
clearance. The letter can then be used to
obtain the police clearance
Fee payable
Form Certificate of Good Conduct form from above
address, website
www.kln.gov.my/?m_id=8&c_id=38, or
Malaysian diplomatic missions

MALDIVES

Relevant document – Police clearance certificate
Apply Ministry of Defence and National Security
Male
Republic of the Maldives
960 322607 or 960 325525
Phone
Provide written request including copy of bio page of
passport and page containing Maldivian visa,
evidence of employment in the Maldives,
period of stay and residential address
Form nil
Fee nil

MALI

Apply Ministry of Justice
At Bamako

MALTA

Relevant document – 'Certificate of Good Conduct'
Apply in person
At General Police Headquarters, Floriana
Provide *If the certificate is required for Malta or any
European country, provide ID card ONLY
If the certificate is required for a country
other than Malta or a European country,
provide a valid passport
If applying from outside Malta provide a
copy of valid passport particulars including a
photo, and a fee of One Maltese Lira
(MLT 1) either by money order or by cheque
made payable to Commissioner of Police*
Note: A certificate may be collected by a
close relative on behalf of an applicant who
lives outside Malta. The applicant should
give a letter of authorisation addressed to
Secretariat Office, General Police
Headquarters, Floriana to the relative. The
relative will also need to present their ID
Card.
Fee payable if applying from outside Malta

MARSHALL ISLANDS

Relevant document – 'Police certificate'
Apply Police Commissioner
At Department of Public Safety
P O Box 1222
Majuro
Marshall Islands MH 96960
Phone (692) 625 4049
Fax (692) 625 5134

MARTINIQUE

Relevant document – 'Good Conduct Certificate'
(Certificat de Bonnes Vies et Moeurs)
Apply by mail to
Casier Judiciaire National,
At 107 rue du Landreau
44079 Nantes Cedex 01
France
Provide proof of identity or residence status in
country (photocopy of passport or identity
card and 'Carte de Sejour')
Fee payable

MAURITIUS

Relevant document – Residents – Certificate from
the Director of Public Prosecutions,
previously called 'Certificate of Morality'
(Certificat de Moralité)
Apply in person or by mail (or a close family
member can apply on the applicant's behalf)
to Director of Public Prosecutions,
At Jules Koenig Street
Port Louis
Provide birth certificate, ID Card, marriage certificate
and fingerprints if non-resident
Fee payable

MAYOTTE

Non-French citizens and French citizens born outside Mayotte

Relevant document – Extract from Police records (Extrait du Casier Judiciaire)

Apply by mail to
Casier Judiciaire National

At 107 rue du Landreau
44079 Nantes Cedex 01
France

Provide identification

Forms 'Request for a bulletin No 3' (Demande de B3)
French citizens born on Mayotte

Apply in person or by mail to
Tribunal de Premiere Instance de Mamoudzou,

At B.P. 106
97600 Mayotte

Provide identification

Form 'Request for a Bulletin no 3'
(Demande de B3)

MEXICO

Relevant document – Certificate of Non-Criminal Record (Certificado de No Antecedentes Penales)

Apply **Mexican citizens resident in Mexico and Non-Mexican citizens** in person or by power of attorney to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of residence

At Secretaría de Seguridad Pública
Dirección General de Prevención y Readaptación Social
Atención Oficialia de Partes
Coordinación de Archivo Nacional de Sentenciados
Londres No. 102 Col. Juárez
Delegación Cuauhtémoc
Cp 06600 México D.F.

Provide **Mexican citizens outside Mexico** to the nearest Mexican Embassy/Consulate

full personal details; official ID (passport, Birth certificate, Mexican voter's card, Mexican Military Service Certificate); 3 full front view and 3 full right profile pictures; a full set of fingerprints, obtained at the local police station. The certificate will be issued in Spanish only

Fee payable

MICRONESIA, FEDERATED STATES OF

Relevant document – 'Police Clearance'

Apply in person or by mail to
Chief of Police

At Pohnpei State
Kolonía

Provide full name, date of birth, present and previous addresses, social security number
Non-citizens passport and entry permit number

Fee payable

Form obtained from checking officer at Police station

MOLDOVA

Relevant document – 'Police certificate'

Apply **Residents, non-residents** in person or by mail (resident relatives of **non-residents** can apply on their behalf) to
Administration of Information

At Ministry of Interior
Shtefan Chel Mare Ave 75
Chisinau 2012

Phone (103732) 255517, 255852

Fax (103732) 226639

Provide passport or certified copy, proxy for a relative, full name, patronymic surname, maiden name, date and place of birth, reason certificate required and language of wording

Form standard application form

Fee payable

MONACO

Relevant document – Extract from Police Records (Extrait du Casier Judiciaire)

Apply applicants should contact the Palais de Justice prior to lodging a request in person or by mail to
Greffé Generale

At Palais de Justice
5, Rue Colonel Bellando de Castro
MC 98015 Monaco Cedex

Phone (+377) 93 15 8400

Provide written request giving personal details including father's name, mother's maiden and given names, plus
Residents photocopy of ID card
Resident non-citizens photocopy of both sides of residence card
Non-residents written request should indicate dates of residence

Fee payable

MONTSERRAT

Relevant document – 'Police certificate'

Apply Office of the Commissioner
Police Headquarters

At PO Box 177
Plymouth

Phone 809 491-2555

Provide photocopy of passport or birth certificate, a set of fingerprints and 4 photographs
Fee payable

MONTENEGRO, REPUBLIC OF

Relevant document – Certificate (Uverenje)

Apply **Residents**
Ministry of Internal Affairs (police station)

Non-residents
Montenegro Embassy, in person

At place of residence

Form obtained at time of application

Fee payable

MOROCCO

Relevant document – Police Clearance (Fiches Anthropométriques)

Apply Monsieur le President du Tribunal de Premier Instant

At place of birth

Resident non-citizens

to Service Centrale

At Casier Judiciaire
Rabat

Non-resident non-citizens

to nearest Moroccan Embassy/Consulate
Non-resident non-citizen in Australia

Apply to Moroccan Consulate
(in person or by phone)

At Unit 2/11 West Street

North Sydney

Phone (02) 9922 4999

Provide National ID Card (**citizens**), photocopy of passport, birth certificate, details of period of stay, place of work and residence in Morocco (**non-citizens**)

MYANMAR

Apply in person to the local police office

Provide proof of identity

Fee payable

NAMIBIA

Relevant document – 'Police Clearance'

Apply by mail to Namibian Police
Criminal Records Centre

At Private Bag 12024

Ausspanplatz

Windhoek 9000

Phone 061-220296/7/8

Provide ID number and date of birth, fingerprints taken by a police officer

Fee payable

NAURU

Relevant document – 'National Police certificate'

Apply to Director of Police

At Nauru Police Force

Government Offices

Yaren District, Republic of Nauru

Provide applicant's full name (including any previous names they were known by), date of birth, sex, current mailing address and addresses of former places of residence, contact details, copy of passport

Fee AUD60 is payable in cash to the Revenue office at Government offices

NEPAL

- Apply** **Citizen** in person or in writing to Verification Section
Crime Investigation Department
Police Headquarters
Naxal Kathmandu
Resident non-citizen can request their embassy to write to Interpol Section
Police Headquarters
Naxal
- Phone** +977-1-4412602 or 4420538 on their behalf
Non-residents by next of kin to the Verification Section, with a copy of passport and page with departure stamp from Nepal or apply to nearest Nepalese overseas mission – mission forwards correspondence to Police Headquarters, Kathmandu
- Forms Provide** from Police Headquarters Department, Naxal copy of citizenship certificate, passport and 3 passport size photos

NETHERLANDS ANTILLES

- Apply** Lieutenant-Governor of the Island of Curacao
- At** Netherlands Antilles
- Provide** full name, date and place of birth, nationality, profession, name of last employer in Netherlands Antilles, dates of arrival and departure from Netherlands Antilles
- Fee** payable

NETHERLANDS, THE

- Relevant document** – ‘Certificate of Good Behaviour’ (VOG)
- Apply** using the application form ‘Verklaring Omtrent het Gedrag, Natuurlijke Personen’, available from website www.justitie.nl/themas/vog (application only available in Dutch). Fill in applicant’s details and send form to the Australian Embassy or Mission that is requesting the certificate. Please enclose a stamped and self-addressed envelope for the return of the application
Residents deliver the application personally at the municipality where registered
Non-residents authorise a person to submit the application personally at the municipality where last registered
- Note** applications of non-residents who left the Netherlands before October 1994 should be submitted by mail at:
COVOG
PO Box 16115
2500 BC The Hague
- Provide** Valid identity document (eg. passport)
Completed application form

- Note** in the event that an authorised person submits the application of a non-resident, the application should be provided with a letter of authorisation from the applicant and a copy of a valid identity document of the authorised person
- Fee** payable at counter upon submission of the application form (actually 30.05 euros)
payable by money transfer to account number 19.23.27.984 (Ministerie van Justitie/Justis/COVOG in Den Haag, stating name of application). Extra information needed in case payment occurs from abroad (international money transfer):
IBAN-code n180 rabo 0192327984
BIC-code (swiftcode) RABONL2U
- Contact** COVOG (Central Body Certificate of Good Conduct)
Phone: +31 70 370 7234
E-mail: frontdesk.justis@minjus.nl
Internet: www.justitie.nl/themas/vog

NEW CALEDONIA

- Non-French citizens and French citizens born outside New Caledonia**
- Relevant document** – ‘Extract from Police records’ (Extrait du Casier Judiciaire)
- Apply** by mail to Casier Judiciaire National or through the internet at the website www.justice.gouv.fr/cjn/
- At** 107 rue du Landreau
44079 Nantes Cedex 01
France
- Provide Form** identification
‘Request for a bulletin No 3’ (Demande de B3).
French citizens born in New Caledonia
- Apply At** in person or by mail to Tribunal Civil
B.P. F4
Noumea Cedex
- Provide Form** identification
Request for a bulletin No 3 (Demande de B3)

NEW ZEALAND

- Apply** using ‘Consent to Disclosure of Information’ and form 80
- At** the departmental office/post processing your application
- Provide** completed ‘Consent to Disclosure of Information’ form and form 80 to the Australian Consulate General Office in Auckland to initiate penal clearance. Form 80 must include details of the originating office and case officer
- Forms** form 80 can be downloaded from our website www.immi.gov.au. Consent to disclosure of information form is available from the Auckland processing post or via www.australia.org.nz

NICARAGUA

- Relevant document** – ‘Certificate of Good Conduct’
- Apply** in person to Central Police Archives
Territorial section of local police in area of applicant’s residence
- Provide Fee** identification and fingerprints
payable

NIGERIA

- Relevant document** – **Residents** – ‘Police Character Certificate’
- Apply Provide** Nigeria Police Force Headquarters, Abuja application and fingerprint form (including full set of fingerprints) obtainable from local police station; 4 passport photos
- Fee** payable

NORWAY

- Relevant document** – ‘Transcript from Police Records’ (Politiattest)
- Apply Provide** in person or by mail to your local police station
a copy of your birth certificate, personal ID number, date of birth, driver’s licence, bank card, passport or other ID papers

OMAN

- Relevant document** – ‘Clearance Certificate’
- Apply** **Residents** Royal Oman Police at place of residence
Non-residents applicants who wish to obtain a police clearance from the Sultanate of Oman should fulfil the following requirements and post to the Consulate-General of the Sultanate of Oman in Melbourne
- Provide** – a letter of request
– 4 passport size photos (colour and recent)
– original fingerprints from each finger on both hands, then a print of all fingers on the one hand at the same time for both hands. Fingerprints can be obtained from local police, which later has to be authenticated from the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) in one of the capital cities of the Australian States
– a copy of your passport including a copy of the visa page
– enclose a pre-paid self-addressed return envelope
– enclose a ‘Registered Post International’ envelope B4 (353 x 250 mm)
– enclose US\$10 (only US dollars are acceptable)
- Note** please allow the process to take some time

PAKISTAN

Relevant document – ‘Police certificate’

Apply in person or by mail
Citizens and **resident non-citizens**
District Superintendent of Police
Non-citizen non-residents
nearest Pakistan mission

At according to place of (former) residence

Provide **Citizens** ID card
Resident non-citizens residence permit
Non-resident non-citizens details of addresses and periods of residence
Form obtained at local police station. If not available, letter may be accepted

PANAMA

Apply in person to El Departamento Nacional de Investigaciones,
Non-residents who have a relative (up to fourth degree) living in Panama should arrange power of attorney for that person to request and obtain the certificate on their behalf

At Ave 5a No 10-45
Panama City

Provide full name, nationality, sex, date of birth, reason for requesting certificate and (for **non-citizens**) date of entry into Panama
Fee payable

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Relevant document – ‘Character check’

Apply by mail to
National Criminal Records Office,
Royal Papua New Guinea Constabulary
PO Box 85 Konedobu NCD

At PO Box 85 Konedobu NCD
Provide ‘Character check form’ available from the local police
Fee payable
Form available from Australian High Commission Port Moresby

PARAGUAY

Relevant document – ‘Certificado de Antecedentes’

Apply **Residents** Departamento de Identificaciones
Av. Boggiani y Ri 2, Ytororo,
Villa Aurelia, Asuncion

Provide ID-cedula
Fee payable
Apply **Non-residents** using form 80
At the departmental office/Post processing your application
Provide ID Number must be included on form 80
Form form 80 available from the department or website www.immi.gov.au

PERU

Relevant document – ‘Certificado de Antecedentes Policiales’

Apply **Residents** in person providing current documentation – see www.pnp.gob.pe/comunidad/tramites.asp
Non-residents can authorise a friend/relative in Peru to present all the necessary documentation. The friend/relative must coordinate the provision of documentation and forms with the requesting individual who must have information stamped and legalised by the Peruvian Consulate in their country of residence. If the requesting individual does not have any relatives or friends in Peru they can request a penal clearance through the Peruvian Consulate in their country of residence

At Sede Central de la División Central de Identificación Policial de la Dirección de Criminalística PNP
Avenida Aramburú 550, Surquillo, Lima 222 7364 for the Dependencia Policial PNP in provincial areas
Phone
Fee payable

PHILIPPINES, THE

Relevant document – ‘Police Clearance Certificate’

Apply National Bureau of Investigations (NBI)
Residents in person
Non-residents by mail or through Philippine Consulate
At Department of Justice
Taft Avenue
Manila

Provide **Residents** the completed application form, fingerprints and a photograph must be taken to the nearest office of the National Bureau of Investigations
Non-residents return completed application and fingerprints to the NBI with the fee plus return postage (stamped self-addressed envelope or money). The application should show the certificate is required for entry to Australia
Fee payable
Form available from NBI, and Philippine consulates

POLAND

Relevant document – ‘Criminal Record Inquiry’ (Zapytanie o Karalnosc – Zapytanie o udzielenie Informacji o Osobie)

Apply in person or by mail to
Ministry of Justice
(Centralny rejestr skazanych CRS)
At ul, Zwyciezcow 34
03 – 938 Warszawa
Provide full name, date and place of birth, current residential address and occupation details
At point 12 you must request a check in box 1, 2 (if under 16 years of age) and 3.
At point 13, you must indicate ‘full range’
Fee payable
Form application forms can be obtained directly from the CRS, Polish Ministry of Justice website www.ms.gov.pl or from the Australian Embassy Warsaw along with a covering letter

PORTUGAL

Relevant document – Criminal Record Certificate (certificado do registo criminal)

Apply **Residents** in person to General Department for Justice Administration (Direcção Geral da Administração da Justiça – DGAJ). Other offices of the DGAJ at Coimbra and Porto; in judicial courts or municipal chambers for those in rural localities
Non-residents by mail to Department for Criminal Identification Services (Direcção Serviços de Identificação Criminal)

At Avenida 5 de Outubro, 125
1069-044 Lisboa
Portugal
Phone 351 21 790 6200
Fax 351 21 790 6460
Email: lojadocidadao@lojadocidadao.pt
www.lojadocidadao.pt

Provide **Residents** and **Non-residents**
Identification card and passport
Fee payable

QATAR

Relevant document – **Residents** – ‘Police Clearance Certificate’

Apply in person or by mail to
Ministry of Interior
Public Security General Administration
Criminal Evidence Information Department
At PO Box 6797, Doha

Relevant document – **Non-residents** – ‘Certificate of Good Conduct’

Apply in person
At any Qatari Embassy
Provide a set of fingerprints taken by local police or law enforcement agency and attested by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in country of current residence; 4 passport size photos; copy of applicant’s current passport; copy of applicant’s passport which held the most recent residence permit; letter addressed to the Qatari Ambassador explaining the reason for obtaining the certificate and a copy of a police clearance certificate from home country
Fee payable

REUNION

Apply by mail to
Casier Judiciaire National
At 107 rue du Landreau
44079 Nantes Cedex 01
France
Provide proof of identity or resident status in country (photocopy of passport or identity card and ‘Carte de Sejour’)
Form ‘Request for a Bulletin no 3’ (Demande de B3)

ROMANIA

Relevant document – ‘Certificate of Police Clearance’ (Certificat de Cazier Judiciar)
Apply in person or, if **non-resident**, through an authorised person to the Ministry of Interior,
At General Inspector of Police
Convictions Register,
at place of birth or residence
Fee payable
Form obtainable on application

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

Relevant document – ‘Police certificate’
Apply **Residents** to main Information Centre for Ministry of Interior
Novocheryomushinskaya Street 67
Moscow
Phone (095) 3323058, 3323029,
or regional Information Centres,
Ministry of Interior located in any regional centre, or local police departments.
Non-residents to nearest Russian consulate in country of residence,
(in Australia, Sydney phone 02 93261188, 02 93261866, Canberra 02 62959474)
Provide passport, application, **non-residents** also any evidence of residence in Russian Federation, the applicable visa and reason for stay
Fee payable

RWANDA

Relevant document – Police Certificate
Apply **Residents** Police Department in local district OR
Department of Police
Ministry of Local Government
PO Box 3445
Kigali, Rwanda
Non-residents Ministry of Justice letter signed by nearest Rwandese Embassy representative enclosing a power of attorney for a Rwanda citizen to collect
Non-resident/non-citizen apply by letter from Ministry of Justice signed in the Rwandese Embassy in residence country
Phone 250 85406
Provide certificate of identity, 2 passport photos, identification card, passport
Non-residents/non-citizens should also provide service or residence visa and work permit
Fee payable

SAMOA (US)

Apply by mail or fax to
American Samoan Police Department
Phone 686 633 1111
Fax 684 633 7296
Provide copy of passport (first page important) and clear statement of reason for clearance
Fee payable

SAMOA

Apply Police, Prisons and Fire Services
At Criminal Registration Office
PO Box 53
Apia
The department post collects certificates from police and forwards to processing office/post
Provide certified copy of birth certificate and one passport size photograph
Fee payable
Form form 80 from the department or website www.immi.gov.au

SAN MARINO

Apply as for ITALY

SAUDI ARABIA

Relevant document – **Residents/Non-citizens** – ‘Criminal Status Certificate’
Apply in person to main police department according to district of residence in Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Provide Iqama; letter from Australian Embassy Riyadh attested by Ministry of Foreign Affairs; passport size photo; fingerprints obtainable from local police
Fee payable
Forms instructions and a letter are given to applicant by Australian Embassy Riyadh. Apply to Embassy in person, or fax required details and arrange for collection
Relevant document – **Non-residents** – ‘No Previous Conviction Certificate’
Apply to nearest Saudi Embassy or Consular Mission
Provide copy of current passport; copy of previous Iqamas or residence permits in Saudi Arabia; general letter from the department requesting client approach the Saudi authorities to obtain a penal clearance (you may be asked for a specific letter from the processing office); 2 passport size photos; set of fingerprints taken by the local police
Fee payable

SENEGAL

Apply Ministry of Justice
At Dakar
Fee payable

SERBIA, REPUBLIC OF

Relevant document – Certificate (Uverenje)
Apply **Residents**
Ministry of Internal Affairs (police station)
Non-residents
Serbian Embassy, in person
At place of residence
Form obtained at time of application
Fee payable

SEYCHELLES

Relevant document – Police clearance certificate
Apply by mail to Commissioner of Police
At Seychelles Police
Police Headquarters
PO Box 46
Republic of Seychelles
Provide identity card with the application
Fee payable

SIERRA LEONE

Apply **Residents** to Ministry of Justice
At Freetown

SINGAPORE

Relevant document – ‘Good Conduct Certificate’ or ‘Certificate of No Criminal Conviction’
Apply Singapore Police Force
At Criminal Investigation Department
www.spf.gov.sg/epc/cert_issued.htm
Provide 2 recent passport photos, current and past international passports/travel documents showing immigration endorsements for computation of period stayed in Singapore; signed letter from the departmental processing post office specifying reason for request
Citizens Identity card, valid exit permit/exemption certificate issued by CMPB, MINDEF for male Singaporeans liable for National Service
Non-citizens Singapore employment pass, work permit or evidence of authority to reside in Singapore
Applicants residing in Australia who want a Singaporean police clearance need to lodge their application then obtain a letter of authority from the department for the clearance. The letter can then be used to obtain the police clearance
Fee payable
Forms available from website

SLOVAK REPUBLIC

Relevant document – ‘Police certificate’ (Ziadost o Vypis z Registra Trestov)
Apply **Residents** Register Trestov GP SR
Non-residents nearest Slovak or Czech Embassy/Consulate, in person or by mail
At Register Trestov GP SR – podatelna Nitrianska ul
814 23 Bratislava
Provide **Citizens** Slovak ID and birth certificate
Non-citizens passport and birth certificate accompanied by a certified Slovak translation
Form available directly at Register Trestov GP SR, or at local Prosecutor’s office in town of residence
Fee payable

SLOVENIA

- Relevant document** – ‘Certificate of No Convictions’ (Potrdilo o Nekaznovanju)
- Apply** in person, by mail or telephone to the Ministry of Justice
- At** Zupanciceva 3
Ljubljana 1000
- Phone** (386)(61) 178 5211
- Provide** Document/certificate of identity and reason for request
- Fee** payable
- Form** application for police certificate available at local registrar’s office at police stations

SOLOMON ISLANDS

- Relevant document** – ‘Police Clearance Certificate’
- Apply** Royal Solomon Island Police Headquarters
Attn: CID Officer
- At** PO Box G3
Honiara
- Provide** fingerprints
- Fee** payable
- Form** ‘Police consent form’ available from the police CID officer

SOMALIA

- Somaliland** – there is a functioning government including police and judiciary. It is likely police certificates are available but this information has not been confirmed
- Puntland** – while it may be possible that authorities are issuing police certificates it is less likely and the Security Office was unable to confirm
- South/Central Somalia** – a variety of regional administration exist but are unlikely to issue police certificates. All ‘official’ documents are easily forged

SOUTH AFRICA

- Apply** **Residents and Non-residents** by post, courier service, or by hand to Criminal Records Centre, (Kriminele Rekord Sentrum)
- At** SAPS CRC (for attn: Sub-Section Police Clearance Certificates)
Sanlam Plaza West Building
271 Schoeman Street
4th Floor Room 421
Pretoria 0002 or to
Private Bag X308
Pretoria 0001
- Note** *applicants in Australia may also seek assistance from South African High Commission*
- Provide** passport photos, full set of fingerprints, name, surname, date and place of birth, identity number must be recorded on fingerprint form. Fingerprint form cannot be faxed. Applicant must be fingerprinted at nearest police station. Identity document required as proof of identity. Receipt of payment must accompany application. Non residents provide South African residence dates and addresses
- Fee** payable

SPAIN

- Apply** **Residents** apply for a ‘certificado de antecedentes penales’ from the Ministerio de Justicia in Spain)
- Non-residents** apply using form 80
- At** the departmental office/post processing your application
- Form** form 80 available from the department or website www.immi.gov.au
- Fee** nil

SRI LANKA

- Relevant document** – Police Clearance Certificate
- Apply** in person or by mail
- At** Police Headquarters, Colombo – 01, Sri Lanka
- Form** available from Sri Lanka Police website www.police.lk
- Fee** payable – see Sri Lanka Police website
- Notes** Provide Police Clearance Certificate and completed form 80 to the departmental office/post processing your application
- Form** form 80 available from the department or website www.immi.gov.au

ST CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

- Apply** in person to
Police Headquarters
- At** PO Box 189
Basseterre
St Kitts
- Phone** 809-465 2241
- Provide** valid photographic ID and any documents relating to change of name. Overseas applicants must provide fingerprints and a certified photograph. All applicants must provide a forwarding address in St Kitts
- Fee** payable

ST LUCIA

- Apply** Commissioner of Police
- At** Police Headquarters
Bridge Street
Castries
- Phone** 809-452 2855
- Provide** personal particulars (date of birth, addresses), in addition to full set of fingerprints and 2 photographs
- Fee** payable

ST VINCENT & THE GRENADINES

- Apply** Commissioner of Police
- At** Police Headquarters
Kingston
St Vincent
- Phone** 809-457 1211
- Provide** 2 photographs, one of which must be notarised
- Fee** payable

SURINAM

- Apply** District Governor of Paramaribo
- At** Klaina Combeweg
Paramaribo
- Provide** birth certificate and 2 photographs
- Fee** payable

SWAZILAND

- Apply** Commissioner of Police
- At** PO Box 49
Mbabane
- Provide** full personal details and a set of fingerprints certified by local police

SWEDEN

- Relevant document** – ‘Extract from the criminal records registry’ (‘Registerutdrag’)
- Apply** by mail or fax to
Rikspolisstyrelsen
Kirunaenheten/Utlandsaerenden
- At** S - 981 81 Kiruna
SWEDEN
- Provide** application form RPS447.3, certified copy of passport or birth certificate showing full name, date and place of birth and personal identification number
- Fee** payable
- Form** available from website www.polisen.se or at the nearest police office or an Embassy of Sweden

SWITZERLAND

- Relevant document** – ‘Extract From Central Police Records’ (Gesuch um Auszug aus dem Zentralstrafregister/Demande d’*extrait* du Casier Judiciaire Central/ Domanda d’*estratto* del Casellario Giudiziale Centrale)
- Apply** by mail to
Schweizerisches Zentralpolizeiburo/
Bureau central Suisse de police
- At** 3003 Berne
- Provide** confirmation of identity (eg. passport, driving licence)
- Fee** payable
- Form** obtained on application

SYRIA

- Relevant document** – **Residents** – ‘Extract of Judicial Record’
- Apply** in person to Ministry of Interior,
Interior Services Forces
Directorate of Criminal Security Department
Criminal Records Branch
Judicial Records Division
- Non-residents** – Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Provide** identification – ID card, passport or alien’s card of residence; proof of civil status
- Fee** payable

TAJIKISTAN

Relevant document – ‘Police certificate’ (record of convictions)

Apply **Residents, non-residents** in person or by mail (resident relatives of **non-residents** can apply on their behalf) to:

Information Administration of Ministry of Interior

At Rudaki Street 42
Dushanbe

Provide written request from the department with the reason for request, passport or copy, all personal details, place of residence in Tadjikistan

TANZANIA

Apply Central Identification Bureau
Ministry of Home Affairs

At PO Box 9492
Dar Es Salaam
Tanzania

Phone 255 22 2110834 Ext 137

Provide full personal details, a set of fingerprints certified by local authorities, copy of passport

Fee payable

THAILAND

Apply Police Clearance Service Centre

At Special Branch (Building 24)
Royal Thai Police Headquarters
Rama 1
Pathumwan, Bangkok 10330

Provide **Resident citizens** – passport; Thai ID card; house registration; evidence of name change; evidence of military service (Sor Dor 8 or Sor Dor 43 etc.); marriage certificate or divorce certificate, if available; in case of minor, the parents or the guardian must be present to give consent

Resident non-citizens – passport; documents certify that the applicant is working, used to work or residing in Thailand; Thai work permit, if available

Non-resident citizens – 3 full sets of fingerprints (fingerprints must be taken at local police station or Thai Consulate or Thai Embassy in country of residence);

2 photographs (1 inch by 2 inches); Thai ID card and house registration; evidence of any change of name, certificate of marriage or divorce, if available; evidence of military service (Sor Dor 8 or Sor Dor 43 etc.); an envelope with pre-paid stamps and applicant’s address to mail certificate back to applicant

Non-resident non-citizens – 3 full sets of fingerprints (fingerprints must be taken at local police station or Thai Consulate or Thai Embassy in country of residence);

2 photographs (1 inch by 2 inches); valid passport; document stating the applicant used to work or live in Thailand; Thai working permit, if available; an envelope with pre-paid stamps and applicant’s address to mail certificate back to applicant

Note The Police Clearance Service Centre open: Monday to Friday from 08:30–16:30 hours (closed on public holidays)

Phone: 02-2052168 and 02-2052169

Fax: 02-2052168

Internet: www.sb.police.go.th

E-mail: pcsc@police.go.th

Fee nil – Processing period is 7 working days

TOGO

Apply Ministry of Justice

At Lome

TONGA

Apply in person or by mail to Officer-In-Charge of Criminal Record (OIC)

At Central Police Station
PO Box 8
Nuku’alofa
TONGA

Provide proof of identity or residence status in the country (certified copy of birth certificate and/or passport)

Form for **residents** is obtainable from the Australian High Commission, Nuku’alofa
Non-residents must write directly to the Officer-In-Charge of Criminal Record to request a certificate

Fee payable

TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

Apply Police Headquarters

At St Vincent Street
Port of Spain,
Trinidad

Provide fingerprints and 3 photos

Fee payable

TUNISIA

Relevant document – extract from Judicial Certificate (Certificat du Casier Judiciaire)

Apply **Residents** to Ministry of Justice Tribunal in area of residence

Provide National Identification Card

Non-residents

to nearest Tunisian Embassy to complete card number 3

TURKEY

Relevant document – **Resident citizens** –

‘Criminal Record’ (Sabika Kaydi)

Apply in person to the Public Prosecutor’s Office in each city

Residents of Ankara

At Ankara Cumhuriyet Bas
Savciligi
Zemin Kat,
Sihhiye – Ankara

Provide identity card (name, surname, mother’s name, father’s name, date and place of birth and registration details)

Fee payable

Relevant document – **Resident non-citizens** – ‘Criminal Record’

At Ankara Cumhuriyet Bas
Savciligi
Zemin Kat,
Sihhiye – Ankara

Provide identity card (name, surname, mother’s Name, father’s name, date and place of birth and registration details).

Fee payable

Relevant document – **Non-residents** – Criminal Record in Foreign Languages

Apply In person to the General Directory of Criminal Records and Statistics

At Adli Sicil ve Istatistik Genel Mudurlugu
Tuna Caddesi, No 10
Ankara

Provide identity card (name, surname, mother’s name, father’s name, date and place of birth and registration details).

Fee payable

Relevant document – **Non-residents** – ‘Criminal Record’ (Sabika Kaydi)

Apply Turkish Overseas Mission

Provide identity card (name, surname, mother’s name, father’s name, date and place of birth and registration details).

Fee payable

TURKMENISTAN

Relevant document – ‘Police certificate’

Apply **Residents** Ministry of Interior or local police departments.

Non-residents through proxy to above or to nearest Turkmenistan Consulate country of residence or Moscow consulate (Consulate nearest Australia is India – Shanty Niketan 1/13, Delhi, phone 6118054, 6118409, fax 6118332)

At official request from the department, passport or copy, name, patronymic surname, maiden name, date and place of birth, place of registration

TURKS & CAICOS ISLAND

Apply Commissioner of Police

At Police Headquarters
Grand Turk

Provide full set of fingerprints, one photograph, letter with personal details (name, date and place of birth)

Fee payable

TUVALU

Relevant document – Police Clearance Report

Apply in person or by mail to Office of the Commissioner of Police,
Funafuti

At full name, citizenship, date of birth and address in Tuvalu where applicant lives or lived

Provide payable

UGANDA

- Relevant document** – Certificate of Good Conduct
- Apply** National Central Bureau of Interpol Kampala
Directorate of Criminal Investigations
Uganda Police Force
- At** PO Box 2973
Kampala, Uganda
- Provide** if by mail, include 2 passport size photos, copy of applicant details from passport, fingerprints from police in country of residence, and required fee
- Fee** payable
- Note** applicants can obtain further information from email address: genpol7@utonline.co.ug

UKRAINE

- Apply** **Residents** to local police departments or Administration of Operational Information, Ministry of Interior
- At** 34T Shevchenko Avenue
Kiev 01030,
or Administration Departments in any regional centre
- Non-residents** to nearest Ukrainian Consulate in country of residence, in Australia, General Consulate Sydney, phone 02 9388 9177, fax 02 9388 9577

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

- Relevant document** – ‘Criminal Status Certificate’ (or ‘Criminal Antecedents Certificate’ which can be obtained through the General Administration for Criminal Security, Ministry of Interior, Abu Dhabi only)
- Apply** **Residents** in person to
Dubai
Ministry of Interior
Criminal Investigation Affairs
Dubai Police General Headquarters
PO Box 2533
Abu Dhabi
Ministry of Interior
General Police Directorate
Criminal Investigation Section
Sharjah
Sharjah Police
Ministry of Interior
- Provide** **Non-residents** at any UAE Embassy
2 passport size photos; form to be completed by applicant in person; copy of valid current passport; certified fingerprints form
- Fee** payable
- Note** Ras Al Kaimah, Umm Al Quwain, Fujairah and Ajman: Check with local police department.
The Dubai Police have an email address for persons seeking to obtain a penal certificate. This can only be used by current or former residents of Dubai. Please note that this applies to Dubai only and not the entire UAE (Dubai is one of seven separate Emirates that make up the UAE)
- E-mail** certificate@dubaipolice.gov.ae

UNITED KINGDOM

- Residents of the UK will require a separate check for each jurisdiction in which they have lived. If applying for multiple jurisdictions, they must indicate this on the application form to the local police.
- For Residence in England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland**
- Relevant document** – ‘Subject Access/Person record’ obtained under s7 of the *Data Protection Act 1998*
- For Residence in Channel Islands**
- Relevant document** – Letter issued by Guernsey or Jersey Police confirming results of local police records checks
- For Residence in Gibraltar, Isle of Man and Falkland Islands**
- Relevant document** - ‘Subject Access/Person record’ obtained under s7 of the *Data Protection Act 1998*
- Apply** **Residents** in person or by mail to the local police station. You must specify for which part/s of the UK you are seeking a police clearance.
- Non-Residents** apply by mail as above to the local police station at last place of UK residence.
- Forms** obtainable on application
- Fee** payable
- Notes** website is www.police.uk

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

- Non-residents**
- Relevant document** – Criminal History Record Check
- Apply** Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS)
Division
SCU Mod D-2
1000 Cluster Hollow Road
Clarksburg, West Virginia, 26306
- Provide** a set of *both* rolled/inked *and* plain fingerprint impressions placed on a standard paper fingerprint card; satisfactory proof of identity, consisting of full name, date and place of birth; postal address for return of results
Non-residents will need to make arrangements for the return postage of results payable
- Fee** payable
- Phone** 1304 625 5590 – general enquiries
- Form** if a blank fingerprint card cannot be obtained from the local police authority, further information and blank FBI fingerprint forms are available on www.fbi.gov
- Residents**
- Residents of the USA will need to provide *both* a Criminal History Record Check (as per the procedures above) *and* also obtain a Clearance Letter for all places of residence in the USA during the last 12 months
- Relevant document** – Clearance Letter/s
- Apply** in person or by mail to Local or State Police Department, depending on the procedure used in that state

URUGUAY

- Relevant document** – ‘Certificado de Antecedentes Judiciales’, legalised by Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores, Depto de documentación Consular
- Apply** **Residents** Dirección Nacional de Policía Técnica
Guadalupe 1513, esq. Av San Martin, Montevideo or Shopping Tres Cruces, local 31, Montevideo
- Provide** ID-cedula
- Fee** payable
- Apply** **Non-residents** using form 80
- At** the departmental office/Post processing your application
- Provide** ID Number must be included on form 80
- Form** form 80 available from the department or website www.immi.gov.au

UZBEKISTAN

- Relevant document** – ‘Police certificate’ (data of existence or absence of conviction)
- Apply** **Residents** in person or by mail to:
Central Department of Ministry of Interior
Radjab Street 1
Tashkent 700000
- At** (99871) 1333882
- Phone** **Non-residents** by proxy to above, or to nearest Uzbekistan mission (nearest mission to Australia is Bangkok, phone (810662) 7128883, 3916848, fax (810662) 3913323)
- Provide** written request from the department, passport or copy, copy of Uzbekistan residence registration stamp from internal passport or copy of ‘address leave certificate’ or exact dates of entry and departure from Uzbekistan
- Forms** 2 application forms (available from the Uzbekistan Embassy website – www.uzembassy.ru) must be completed
- Fee** payable

VANUATU

- Apply** Commissioner of Police
- At** PO Box 226
Port Vila
- Provide** full personal details (full names, including any changes of name, date and place of birth)
- Non-residents** should include in the letter the full address of the office where the application to enter or stay in Australia was lodged, as police will send details direct to the processing office
- Fee** payable

VATICAN CITY

- Apply** as for ITALY

VENEZUALA

Relevant document – ‘Certificado de Antecedentes Penales’

Apply **Residents** request penal clearance certificate by writing a letter directed to the Viceministro de Seguridad Juridica del Ministerio del Interior y Justicia indicating the date and reason for the request, attaching a photocopy of their Identity Card. The request can be made by the individual person but must be made in the name of the Australian Embassy due to the fact that these certificates must be issued only to public authorities

Non-residents must appoint a Notary Public in Venezuela to act on their behalf
At Viceministro de Seguridad Juridica del Ministerio del Interior y Justicia

Fee payable

VIETNAM

Relevant document – Judicial Curriculum Vitae

Apply **Vietnamese citizens/residents** – complete a standard application form (Đ n xin cấp Phiếu Lý Lịch T Pháp – provided by the Service of Justice free of charge). Application must be completed fully, clearly and accurately. Submit with the application a copy of the Vietnamese National Identity Card and a copy of the Household Registration where the applicant registers his/her permanent residence or other evidence of the applicant’s (permanent) residential status

Non-Vietnamese citizens – complete a standard application form (provided by the Service of Justice free of charge). Application must be completed fully, clearly and accurately. Enclose with the application a copy of the passport and a copy of the permanent/temporary residence Identity Card in Vietnam

Power of Attorney **Vietnamese citizens residing in Vietnam** – Power of Attorney must be certified by the People’s Committee at the Ward/Village level, where the primary applicants or the authorised recipients reside

Vietnamese citizens residing overseas – Power of Attorney must be certified by the Diplomatic Missions (Embassy, Consulate, High Commission, etc.) of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam in that country

Non-Vietnamese citizens who have left Vietnam – Power of Attorney must be certified by the appropriate authorities of their home country and must be verified/stamped by Vietnamese Consular Officials in accordance with the Vietnamese law and regulations

Lodgements *Vietnamese citizens residing in*

Vietnam – lodge applications for Judicial Curriculum Vitae at the Service of Justice of the City/Province where they reside

Vietnamese citizens residing overseas – lodge applications with the Service for Justice of the last City/Province where they resided permanently before departure from Vietnam

Non-Vietnamese citizens residing in Vietnam – lodge with the Service of Justice of the City/Province where they stay

Non-Vietnamese citizens who have left Vietnam – lodge applications with the Service for Justice of the last City/Province where they resided before departure from Vietnam

Time – 12 working days for Vietnamese citizens permanently residing in Vietnam
– 26 working days for Vietnamese citizens residing overseas and non-Vietnamese citizens residing in Vietnam
– maximum of 45 days for non-Vietnamese citizens residing overseas

Fee VND 100,00.00/time/person

VIRGIN ISLANDS (BRITISH)

Relevant document – ‘Police certificate’

Apply in person or by mail to Police Headquarters

At Road Town Tortola

Phone 809-494 3822

Provide **Residents** apply in person with passport
Non-residents apply in writing with certified copy of first 5 pages of passport
Fee payable

WALLIS & FUTUNA ISLANDS

Non-French citizens and French citizens born outside Wallis and Futuna Islands

Relevant document – ‘Extract from Police records’ (Extrait du Casier Judiciaire)

Apply by mail to Casier Judiciaire National or through the internet at the website www.justice.gouv.fr/cjn/

At 107 rue du Landreau
44079 Nantes Cedex 01
France

Provide proof of identity or resident status in Wallis (photocopy of passport or identity card and ‘Carte de Sejour’). Form – ‘Request for a bulletin No 3’ (Demande de B3)

French citizens born on Wallis and Futuna islands

Apply in person or by mail to Greffier en chef de la cour
At B.P. 12

Mata Utu
98600 Uve

Provide identification
Form ‘Demande de B3’ (request for a bulletin No 3)

YEMEN

No established procedures exist for former residents of Yemen to obtain a penal clearance

ZAMBIA

Relevant document – ‘Police Clearance Certificate’

Apply in person or by mail to Zambia Police Headquarters, Office of the Inspector-General,
At PO Box 50104 Lusaka

Provide identification

Non-residents a standard fingerprinting form of an overseas country must be used and signed by the police officer taking fingerprints. An application must accompany the form stating that the applicant needs a ‘Police Clearance Certificate’

Fee payable

ZIMBABWE

Apply **Residents** Criminal Records Office

At CID Headquarters
PO Box CY 683
Causeway Harare
Zimbabwe

Non-residents

At nearest Zimbabwean Embassy or Consulate, or to PO Box 8125 Causeway Harare

Provide full name, date and place of birth, any previous names, and dates and addresses of residence in Zimbabwe

Fee payable