Can I get an International Police Check for Immigration?

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Understanding the Difference Between Worker Checks International Police Checks and Immigration Requirements

If you need an **international police clearance**, it's important to understand the difference between **background screening** and **immigration-specific police certificates**.

Not for Visa or Immigration Purposes

Worker Checks International Police Checks are *not* suitable for visa or immigration applications.

Our international checks are designed for **employment**, **rental**, or **general background screening** — not for submissions to the **Department of Home Affairs** or foreign immigration authorities.

Immigration-related police clearances often have additional requirements, such as:

- Direct application through the **relevant foreign police authority or embassy**
- Paper-based authentication or **apostille/legalisation**
- Specific reference numbers or verification codes required by **Home Affairs**
- Some jurisdictions will also require **fingerprint data** for processing

For official immigration processing, you must obtain your police clearance **directly from the issuing country's government authority** or a provider approved by that nation's consulate.

What Worker Checks International Police Checks Are Used For

Worker Checks offers **International Police Checks** for legitimate non-immigration screening purposes, including:

- Employment or contractor background screening
- Rental applications
- Teacher or student verification
- Healthcare, childcare, or compliance onboarding

These checks are conducted 100 % online through your **Worker Checks portal**, using secure **biometric ID verification** and digital document delivery.

Before You Proceed

If you're unsure whether your purpose is **employment-related** or **immigration-related**, confirm with the requesting organisation before applying.
You can also contact **Worker Checks Support** for guidance at **ask@workerchecks.com**.

> **Important:** Worker Checks cannot issue refunds for International Police Checks purchased in error for immigration or visa applications. Please review our Refunds & Return Policy

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We're happy to assist you in understanding your results and next steps.

Related checks and compliance services

National Police Check
Fast, ACIC-accredited online clearance.

BusinessHub – Bulk Worker Checks
Bulk billing, live tracking and secure portals.

VEVO Right to Work Check

Instant visa work-rights verification.

Bankruptcy & Insolvency Check

Real-time AFSA financial history checks.

International Police Check

Overseas criminal history screening.

Qualification Verification

Verify degrees, certificates and training.