What identification documents are required for Police Checks?

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Identification requirements for a police check depend on the type of check and the issuing authority. Most applicants are completing a Nationally Coordinated Criminal History Check (NCCHC), which has specific ID rules set by the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission (ACIC). Those requirements are set out below.

ID required for a Nationally Coordinated Criminal History Check (NCCHC)

You'll need three documents

Provide **three** identity documents — one from each group below — and at least one must include a **photo**. You can't use the same document across two groups (for example, if your driver licence is Document 1, it can't also be Document 2).

Group	Acceptable documents
Document 1 **Primary**	Establishes core identity • Australian passport (expired up to 2 years accepted) • Foreign passport (current) • Australian driver licence, learner permit or provisional licence
Document 2 **Secondary**	Confirms identity — must be different from Document 1 • Australian passport (expired up to 2 years accepted) • Foreign passport (current) • Australian driver licence, learner permit or provisional licence • ImmiCard

Group	Acceptable documents
Document 3 Supporting	Additional verification • NDIS Worker Screening Check • Working with Children Check (or equivalent) • Police Force officer photo ID card • Defence Force photo ID card • Photo identity card • Utility bill (name and address) • Medicare card • Tax File Number • Electoral enrolment • Firearms licence • Credit reference document • Aviation or maritime security ID card • UN Convention Travel Document • Foreign identity document (in English) • Security guard / crowd control licence • Australian secondary or tertiary student photo ID • Certified academic transcript • Government benefit evidence (DVA or Centrelink) • Trusted referee report • Consular photo ID card • Bank or credit card *(do not record card numbers)*

A few rules that apply to every document:

- documents must be current, valid and legible — foreign documents require an accredited English translation
- clear scans or photos are acceptable, provided they’re unaltered
- your document set must evidence your full legal name, date of birth and photo ID

Other check types

ID requirements differ for international checks and other verification types. For the full breakdown — including international police check ID and how biometric identity verification works — see our identification requirements guide.

Still need help?

If you're unsure which documents to use, contact our Australian-based support team via the chat icon, or email ask@workerchecks.com. We're happy to help.

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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.