

# Ministry of Justice Check Explainer

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During the application process to become an Approved User of the NZCAR, we may request a Ministry of Justice Criminal Record Check. These can take up to 20 days to complete.

## Process

Once we have gained your permission to request a MoJ Check:

- You will receive an email from the MoJ and be asked to complete some questions about yourself.
- We will then need to sight an acceptable form of photo ID. ([FAQ here: https://www.justice.govt.nz/criminal-records/frequently-asked-questions/](#))

## Review

Any offences will be reviewed considering the:

- Seriousness of offence
- Time since offence
- Triangulation of information

You can read full details here <https://www.justice.govt.nz/criminal-records/>

## Why this request?

The NZCAR has over 1.3 million animals registered with their associated guardians' details. We take protection of our service and the data of our users very seriously. Completion of this Ministry of Justice check is one step in our process of reviewing potential new Approved Users.

If you have any questions about the process, please email [office@animalregister.co.nz](mailto:office@animalregister.co.nz)