

Vulnerable Sector Screening Police Check Helpful Hints

Please check with your local Police Services to see how long it will take to process your Vulnerable Sector Screening (VSS) Police Check.

In some areas it is taking between 4 and 12 weeks to obtain a VSS Police Check **if you have lived in more than one city, town or geographic area in the last five years it could take longer** as it must be checked with the police services in each place you lived.

Some police services require the signature of a College representative on the application form for the Vulnerable Sector Screening Police Check. If you require a signed letter or application from the college, please contact your program area.

NOTE: not all Police Services require a signature and you may be able to apply directly at their office. **Call them to find out where you have to go to submit the application.**

Please obtain a form from your local policing office – some police services make these forms available online.

OPP Vulnerable Sector Check Police Check application forms can be found on the Georgian website under <http://www.georgiancollege.ca/admissions/forms/placement-requirements/>

Please check with **your** police services or on their websites for fee information and to find out what ID is accepted:

- Usually you need two pieces of Government issued ID and one of them **MUST** be a photo ID
- Health cards and SIN cards are **NOT accepted** as proof of identity.
- Some police services accept cash only and will not make change

If your police services is taking longer than 6 weeks to issue Vulnerable Sector Screening Police Check you may want to apply now!

Agencies will usually want your Vulnerable Sector Screening Police Check to be current within 3 to 6 months of your placement start date.

If you reside in the following areas, some of this information may be helpful when pursuing your police checks.

- **Orillia and RR #s in the Orillia area:** served by the Orillia OPP – **note Coldwater RR #s** may be Huronia West OPP or Barrie OPP depending on your address.
- **Barrie and area:** students will need a letter from the College. The City of Barrie is served by the Barrie Police Services and forms are available at the police station. The area outside of the city is served by the Barrie OPP. – **note: Midhurst** is Huronia West OPP.
- **Innisfil and Bradford:** served by the Simcoe South Police Services: you need our signature on the form.
- **Midland:** served by the Midland Police Services – for a Vulnerable Sector Screening Police Check you will need a letter from the college. Forms can be downloaded at www.police.midland.on.ca/content/records-services
- The area outside of Midland is served by the Southern Georgian Bay OPP – they require a personalized letter from the College with your name on.
- **Penetanguishene:** served by the OPP detachment which requires a personalized letter from the College with your name on.
- **Wasaga Beach and area:** served by the Huronia West OPP. **Note: Collingwood** has its own detachment.
- **Alliston and area:** served by the Nottawasaga OPP.
- **York Region** forms are available online - can also be filled out online and printed - www.yrp.ca/pvsc.aspx
- **Muskoka:** served by the OPP and you will need to check with the detachment in your town.
- **Toronto** – please see your Placement Officer or Coordinator for more information as this form has to be submitted through the college. VSS police checks are taking 12 to 16 weeks to obtain, you must contact us right away to start the process.