

Criminal History Screening – Bars for Admission into a Professional Peace Officer Program

Minnesota Rules 6700.0300, Subp. 5, bars admission to the professional peace officer program and to peace officer licensure anyone who have been convicted of the following crimes.

- Any felony conviction in this state or any other state of federal jurisdiction,
- Any offense which would have been a felony if committed in Minnesota,
- Any conviction under the following statutes:
 - 609.224 ASSAULT IN THE FIFTH DEGREE
 - 609.2242 DOMESTIC ASSAULT
 - 609.231 MISTREATMENT OF RESIDENTS OR PATIENTS
 - 609.2325 CRIMINAL ABUSE
 - 609.233 CRIMINAL NEGLECT
 - 609.2335 FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION OF VULNERABLE ADULT
 - 609.234 FAILURE TO REPORT (Maltreatment of a vulnerable adult)
 - 609.324 PATRONS; PROSTITUTES; HOUSING INDIVIDUALS ENGAGED IN PROSTITUTION; PENALTIES
 - 609.465 PRESENTING FALSE CLAIMS TO PUBLIC OFFICER OR BODY
 - 609.466 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FRAUD
 - 609.52 THEFT
 - 609.72, subdivision 3 DISORDERLY CONDUCT, Caregiver; penalty for disorderly conduct
- Any conviction under any state or federal narcotics or controlled substance law irrespective of any proceeding under Minnesota Statutes, section 152.18, or any similar law of another state or federal law,
- Any of these crimes in another state or federal jurisdiction, or under a local ordinance that would be a conviction if committed in Minnesota.

Additional Information

1. Bars to licensure do not include petty misdemeanor offenses or ordinance violations as these are not crimes under Minnesota law. They are, however, a matter of public record and will show up on background checks.
2. Having a criminal conviction or record expunged or continued for dismissal will NOT lead to eligibility. Per Minn. Rules 6700.0100, Subp. 9a., a conviction under any of these statutes is still a bar regardless of “length of or imposition or execution of any sentence received, any deferred finding of guilt or imposition of sentence by the court, any continuance for dismissal granted by the court, or any expungement of the offence records or conviction.”
3. These bars do not include juvenile offenses where the offender is adjudicated delinquent (which is not a criminal conviction). Only criminal convictions of a juvenile under one of these statutes or a requirement for a juvenile to register as a predatory offender are bars.