

## ArtStarts in Schools – Criminal Record Check (PART 2)

November 25, 2016

Dear Artist,

This letter contains important information about ArtStarts' criminal record check process for artists. **Your action is required by December 15, 2016.**

It is a requirement for artists who will be entering schools to work with or perform for children to complete a criminal record check. ArtStarts must receive a clearance letter indicating no criminal record found for the purpose of working with children.

As the representative of your group, **you are responsible** for transmitting this information to all other members of your group and ensuring that they also complete the requirements by **December 15, 2016.**

**IMPORTANT:** All criminal record checks **must** be completed through the **Criminal Records Review Program (CRRP)** via the BC Ministry of Justice. All other forms of criminal record checks will **NOT** be accepted.

### Key Information

Who?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>All artists, including all members of a group, must complete the criminal record check process. This includes artists/performers, including alternate members, as well as those in support roles (e.g. Director, Stage Manager, etc.) who will be entering schools to work with or perform for children. All individuals aged 12 and over must complete the criminal record check process.</li></ul>
When?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Individuals must complete or share a criminal record check through the CRRP by December 15, 2015.</li><li>Criminal record checks through the CRRP are valid for 5 years, with the expiration date indicated on the clearance letter.</li></ul>
How much?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>If you are completing a new criminal record check through the CRRP, the cost per person is \$28, to be paid by the artist during the online application process. If you are a member of a group, each individual must complete a criminal record check.</li></ul> <p><i>or</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>If you are sharing results of your criminal record check through the CRRP (completed within the past 5 years), there is no cost.</li></ul>



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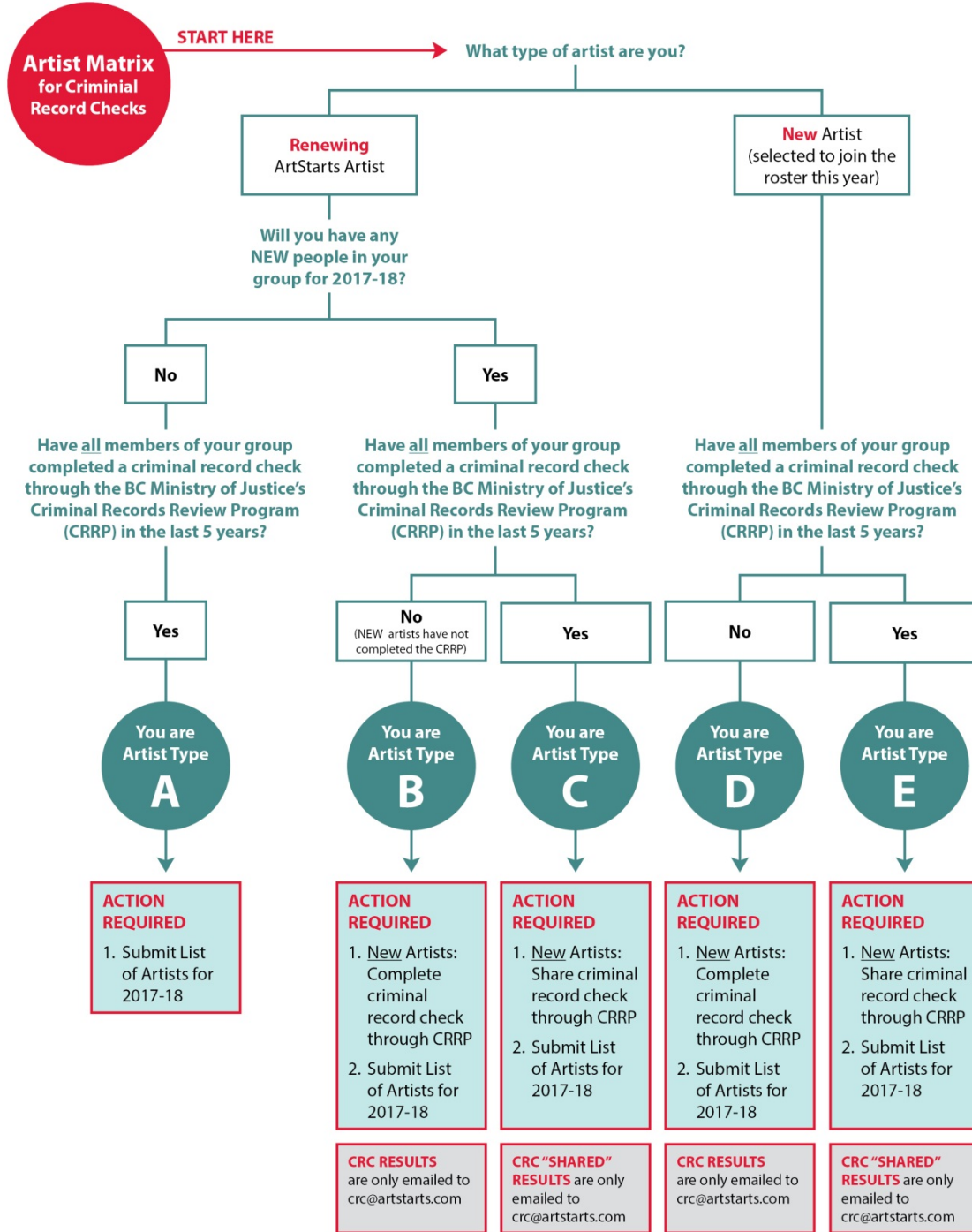
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### How do I complete the criminal record check process?

Please note that everything is completed online. Google Chrome works best for this process.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR ARTIST TYPES: B, D**

**Step 1:** Go to the CRRP website: <https://justice.gov.bc.ca/eCRC/>

**Step 2:** On this website, you may either complete a new criminal record check or share the results of your previously completed criminal record check (if completed within the past 5 years).

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**NOTE:** If you experience technical or procedural difficulties while completing the online process, please contact the **Ministry of Justice** for immediate support by phone at 1-855-587-0185 or by email at [sgspdpds@gov.bc.ca](mailto:sgspdpds@gov.bc.ca)

**Duration:** Completing the online criminal record check through the CRRP website should take approximately 20 minutes. This time may vary. (It takes approximately 2 weeks for ArtStarts to receive your clearance letter after you have completed the online process. If you are experiencing technical difficulties, it might take 4-6 weeks for ArtStarts to receive your clearance letter. Extensions will be granted on a case by case basis if communicated ASAP to ArtStarts.)

#### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR ARTIST TYPES: C, E**

**Step 1:** Go to the CRRP website:

<http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/crime-prevention/criminal-record-check/sharing-results>

**Step 2:** Download and complete the following form:

<http://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/public-safety-and-emergency-services/crime-prevention/criminal-record-check/crr022-sharing.pdf>

This form can be sent to the CRRP via email or fax as noted on the bottom of the form.

#### **IF MEMBERS OF YOUR GROUP ARE AGED 18 OR UNDER**

- Artists aged 12-18 cannot complete the CRRP online. They will have to download and complete the manual process by downloading two forms from the CRRP website. Go to: <http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/crime-prevention/criminal-record-check/forms> and download the first 2 PDF forms on the webpage:
  - "Employee Criminal Record Check Consent Form" and
  - "Pre-Authorized Credit Card Usage Form".If you have questions, please contact the CRRP directly at 1-855-587-0185.
- Artists aged 11 and under do not need to complete the criminal record check process.



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