



## **Criminal Records and Identification Division General Information**

The Missouri Criminal Records Repository (MCRR), collects, maintains, and disseminates Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) as defined by 43.500 and 589.400 RSMo.

Criminal History Record Information is information collected by criminal justice agencies on individuals consisting of arrests, prosecution, a final disposition, correctional supervision, and release. All felony and serious misdemeanors (except as reported to as reportable arrests) including offender registration information as defined under 589.400, RSMo, and all alcohol and drug related traffic offenses are reportable to the MCRR.

Criminal history records are designated as open or closed.

- Open records
  1. arrest record for 30 days following arrest.
  2. arrest record for which charges have been filed.
  3. court disposition of guilty.
  4. suspended imposition of sentence during probation period.
- Closed records
  1. arrest record after 30 days following arrest.
  2. nolle prossed.
  3. dismissed.
  4. found not guilty.
  5. suspended imposition of sentence after probation completed.
- Closed records are accessible to certain groups designated in section 610.120, RSMo.
  - MCRR will only release closed records to those noncriminal justice entities entitled to closed records, when the criminal record check is based on a fingerprint search which will assure the identity of the subject in question.
  - Any person can receive their own record, open and closed, by submission of fingerprints and required fee.

Any requester may receive open record information.

Closed records are accessible by the following, in accordance with 610.120 RSMo, with the submission of fingerprints and required fee.

### **FBI Record requests**

- The FBI files are open to criminal justice agencies for the administration of criminal justice.
- The FBI has only open files in that if someone has the authority to receive the records, they receive all that is on file.
- The FBI allows access to their files to noncriminal justice agencies for certain purposes for a fee.
  - The purpose for the record check must be set forth in the federal regulations.
  - The state, from which the noncriminal justice request originates, must have a state statute specifying the entity has state authority to check the FBI files for the purpose specified.
  - Fingerprints must be submitted before the FBI will release their files to a noncriminal justice entity.
  - The result of the federal record search must terminate at a governmental agency and is not to be released to a private entity.
- All requests into the federal file from the state entities must come through and be stamped by MCRR.
- Effective 10-01-2007, Federal record checks for noncriminal justice entities are \$19.25 for licensing or employment checks and \$15.25 for volunteers to those covered care facilities.

**PENALTY** - A person who knowingly violates any provision of section 43.532, 43.540, 610.100, 610.105, 610.106, 610.120 is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.