How to obtain a new NCSI background check

Step 1: Log into your USA Ultimate Account.

Step 2: Click on the button that reads "RUN BACKGROUND CHECK" to be routed to the appropriate area of the National Center for Safety Initiatives (NCSI) website.

Note that it takes NCSI up to 2 weeks to process background checks, and they may reach out for identity verification via the email address provided. Thus, be sure to keep an eye on your spam folder as well as your inbox. NCSI will be unable to complete a check without receiving the verification. Upon completion, the applicant will receive an email confirmation from NCSI, and the applicant's online USAU account should automatically update to reflect the completion status.

Cost:

$21.50 for two years, payable directly to NCSI during the application process (Some additional fees may apply for a limited number of specific states or counties, based on the charges that those local municipalities charge for data access, and that additional amount will be payable through the NCSI website.)

About:

The National Center for Safety Initiatives (NCSI) has long been trusted by our nation’s premiere sport governing bodies, the National Council of Youth Sports (NCYS) and thousands of other grass roots sports programs. These organizations trust NCSI because of [the] history of pioneering national standards and advancing the quality of background
screenings in the youth and amateur sports community. NCSI's experience and expertise in working with Governing Bodies and their grassroots constituents [meet] the increasing needs of today’s amateur sports organizations. (NCSI, www.ncsisafe.org)

Programs/Requirements:

**Chaperones**: USA Ultimate requires NCSI Green-Light chaperones for any team with a player under the age of 18 participating in USA Ultimate sanctioned and championships events

**Coaches**: As of April 2012, all coaches of teams at USA Ultimate competition are required to be Green-Light screened by NCSI.

Content of the Background Check:

Convictions for any of the following crimes will prompt a determination that an applicant 'does not meet’ the criteria to serve a youth-serving organization:

R1. Any felony (any crime punishable by confinement greater than one year)
   a. Defined on the basis of exposure for the offense for which the defendant was convicted, pled guilty, pled nolo contendere or which is pending a disposition. If pled down, then the crime for which the defendant ultimately was convicted.
   
   b. Defined as all crimes punishable by greater than one year in jail or prison, regardless of how characterized by jurisdiction. If range, alternate sentencing, or indeterminate sentencing, outer range greater than one year.

R2. Any lesser crime involving force or threat of force against a person.

R3. Any lesser crime of a sexual nature or classified as a sex offense including but not limited to "victimless" crimes of a sexual nature such as prostitution, pornography, indecent exposure; and crimes in which sexual relations is an element.

R4. Any lesser crime involving controlled substances (not paraphernalia or alcohol).

R5. Any lesser crime involving cruelty to animals.
R6. Any sex offender registrant.

R7. Any lesser crime involving harm to a minor.