



Sandy City Parks and Recreation Department Policy

Recreation Volunteer Coach Background Checks

It is the policy of the Sandy City Parks and Recreation Department to conduct background checks on all volunteer youth athletic coaches to determine if such volunteers have been convicted of crimes, which bear on their fitness to have responsibility for the safety and well-being of children.

Volunteers convicted of any of the following offenses (or their equivalent) automatically will be disqualified from coaching:

- Child solicitation
- Child seduction
- Child molesting
- Child exploitation
- Sexual battery
- Sexual misconduct with a minor, as a class A, or B felony
- Contributing to the delinquency of a minor
- Incest
- Rape
- Kidnapping
- An offense relating to a material or a performance that is harmful to minors or obscene
- Illegal sale or distribution of controlled substances
- Illegal use or possession of controlled substance within the last five years
- Driving under the influence of alcohol or other controlled substance within the last five years*
- Criminal deviate conduct
- Criminal confinement
- Vicarious sexual gratification
- Carjacking
- Arson
- Armed robbery
- Voluntary manslaughter
- An offense involving a weapon
- Reckless Homicide
- Aggravated battery
- Murder

- * If a first offense and not currently under probation = eligible
Two or more violations have occurred or currently on probation = ineligible

The Parks and Recreation Director may:

Consider other criminal histories (including, but not limited to, pending cases, outstanding warrants, drivers license status, and length of time since disposition of certain offenses) for disqualification on a case-by-case basis.

Make exceptions to these eligibility requirements based on personal knowledge or other information that demonstrates that the volunteer's criminal records does not bear on his or her fitness to have responsibility for the safety and well-being of children.

If you should have any questions, please give us a call at 801-568-2900. If you need a detailed description of offenses visit our website at: www.sandy.utah.gov/parks