

500 Festival Volunteer Background Check Policy

The 500 Festival utilizes the following guidelines for determining the status of individuals who seek to volunteer at programs and events, such as the 500 Festival & Indianapolis 500 Education Program (including Study Trips and Mobile Trips), 500 Festival Kids' Day & Rookie Run, and the 500 Festival mini-mini.

A volunteer status includes the following determinations and their definitions:

(Eligible) Full Participatory Status – This level indicates there are no restrictions or precautions needing to be in place for the volunteer. Either no misdemeanor or felony offenses are present on the criminal history report, or the offense and/or the time of commission is considered to be significantly in the past (within the past 5-7 years) and is of no concern at this time.

Partial Participatory Status – Past offenses are reported due to their nature. The 500 Festival determines the volunteer may attend events/programs with children 17 and under where another fully cleared adult volunteer is present to assist or supervise activities. They are not to be left alone in one-on-one situations with a child nor are they to be placed solely in charge of a group of children.

(Ineligible) Denied Participatory Status – Criminal (Felony) or misdemeanor convictions are present on the legal report, and they are deemed of a serious enough nature that it is necessary for the 500 Festival to fully restrict the applicant from volunteering in any program or event.

NOTE: The charge of the highest level will be the determining factor for volunteer participation.

Charges and Volunteer Determination Checklist:

Offense	Type of Offense	Access
Any Sexual or Firearm Offense	Any/All	Denied
Arson (Any Level)	Destruction	Denied
Assisting a Criminal (Mis)	Various	Partial
Auto Theft (Felony)	Deception	Denied
Aggravated Battery (Felony)	Violence	Denied
Battery (Felony)	Violence	Denied
Battery (Mis)	Violence	Denied
Bigamy	Deception	Denied
False Reporting or Informing (Felony)	Deception	Denied
False Reporting or Informing (Mis)	Deception	Partial
Feticide	Violence	Denied
Forgery (Felony)	Deception	Denied
Fraud (Felony)	Deception	Denied
Gang Offenses	Various	Partial
Habitual Traffic Violator (Felony)	Traffic	Denied
Harassment	Conduct	Partial
Huffing	Intoxication	Partial

Human Trafficking	Deception / Conduct / Violence	Denied
Impersonation of Public Servant	Deception	Denied
Incest	Sex	Denied
Inhaling Toxic Vapors	Intoxication	Partial
Interference with Custody	Conduct	Denied
Interference with Reporting of a Crime	Conduct / Violence	Denied
Intimidation (Felony)	Violence	Denied
Intimidation (Mis)	Violence	Partial
Invasion of Privacy	Conduct / Violence	Denied
Involuntary Manslaughter	Violence	Denied
Kidnapping	Violence	Denied
Legend Drug Act	Drug	Denied
Maintaining a Common Nuisance	Drug	Denied
Mischief (Felony)	Destruction	Denied
Mischief (Mis)	Destruction	Partial
Murder	Violence	Denied
Neglect of a Dependent (Any Level)	Conduct	Denied
NonSupport of a Dependent	Conduct	Partial
NonSupport of a Spouse	Conduct	Partial
Obscenity & Pornography Offenses	Sex	Denied
Obstruction (Any)	Conduct	Denied
Official Misconduct	Conduct	Denied
Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated (Felony)	Traffic	Denied
Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated / Prior	Traffic	Denied
Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated	Alcohol / Drug	Partial
Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated .08% or above	Alcohol	Partial
Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated .15% or above	Alcohol	Partial
Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated Controlled Substance	Drug	Partial
Panhandling	Conduct	Partial
Perjury (Felony)	Deception	Denied
Possession of a Controlled Substance (Felony)	Drug	Denied
Possession of Marijuana (Mis)	Drug	Partial
Possession of Paraphernalia (Felony)	Drug	Denied
Possession of Paraphernalia (Mis)	Drug	Partial
Prescription Offenses (Felony)	Drug	Denied
Professional Gambling (Felony)	Conduct	Partial
Promoting Prostitution (Felony)	Sex	Denied
Promotion of Human Trafficking (Felony)	Deception/Conduct/Violence	Denied
Prostitution	Sex	Denied
Provocation	Conduct	Partial

Public Indecency (Felony / Mis)	Conduct/Sex	Denied
Public Intoxication	Alcohol	Partial
Rape (Felony)	Sex	Denied
Reckless Homicide	Violence	Denied
Refusal to Aid	Conduct	Denied
Refusal to Identify	Conduct	Denied
Residential Entry	Conduct	Denied
Resisting Law Enforcement (Felony, Mis)	Conduct/Violence	Denied
Rioting	Conduct/Violence	Denied
Robbery	Conduct/Violence	Denied
Sawed-Off Shotgun	Weapon	Denied
Sex Offender	Sex	Denied
Sexual Battery	Sex	Denied
Sexual Misconduct	Sex	Denied
Stalking	Conduct	Denied
Strangulation (Felony)	Violence	Denied
Theft (Any Level)	Deception	Denied
Trafficking (Any Level)	Drug	Denied
Unlawful Gambling	Conduct	Partial
Unlawful Use of a Police Radio	Conduct	Partial
Utility Fraud	Deception	Partial
Vicarious Sexual Gratification (Any Level)	Sex	Denied
Violation of Legend Drug Act (Felony)	Drug	Denied
Visiting a Common Nuisance	Drug	Partial
Voluntary Manslaughter	Violence	Denied
Voyeurism	Conduct/Sex	Denied
Welfare Fraud	Deception	Denied
Warrants FOR NONSUBSTANTIVE OFFENSES		Partial

Any incarceration within the past 3 years, or any current involvement in criminal proceeding will disqualify the volunteer for one year from the End Date of the incarceration or proceeding. Legal documentation must be provided.