

Click to verify































If you want to drive with Uber or deliver for Uber Eats, you must undergo a background check that looks into your criminal history and driving record. Uber can reject your application if your background doesn't meet the current screening criteria! Read on to learn how the background check works and what issues in your background or driving record might prevent you from getting accepted by Uber. Want to drive with Uber? Click here to sign up! Article Contents Overview of the Uber background check All Uber and Uber Eats applicants must undergo a background check to be eligible to drive. It is a screening procedure that uses public records to examine your criminal history and driving record. After you consent to the background check and provide your social security number (SSN), a third-party background check company (Checkr) looks at public records and delivers a report to Uber. After reviewing the results of your background screening, Uber will accept or reject your application. The background check is free and Uber does not run a credit check. Uber also periodically re-runs your background check, typically once per year. You can be deactivated if Uber finds new violations on your record. Note: Criteria is subject to local laws. Different states may have different background standards. Your criminal background must meet these conditions: No serious crimes such as murder, sexual assault, terrorism-related offenses No convictions for a felony, violent crime, or sexual offenses Some non-violent felony convictions may be accepted Pending charges can be disqualifying until the charges are resolved in your favor Your motor vehicle report must meet these conditions: A minimum of 1 year of licensed driving history in the U.S. Age 24 and under: At least 3 years licensed driving experience International driving experience doesn't count A clean Motor Vehicle Report (MVR) with no more than 3 incidents in recent history No DUIs and no reckless driving California Uber drivers must not have a DUI in the last 10 years. No speeding violations for driving 20 mph or greater over the speed limit in recent history Uber does not perform a credit check Source: Help.uber.com Want to apply? Sign up with Uber here Left: The background check consent. Right: The message you see while your check is in progress The background check looks at these records County courthouse records for every county of residence Federal courthouse records The multi-state criminal database Motor Vehicle Records Social Security Trace National Sex Offender Registry How often does Uber do background checks? In most states, Uber runs a background check once each year. Uber might also run a new background check if the background standards have changed recently or to comply with a new local law. There is no set date for the yearly background check, so it's hard to predict when the next background check will happen. Uber renews your background check at least once each year How long does it take to complete the Uber background check? The background check typically takes around 2-10 days to complete. If you haven't received an update from Uber after 7 days, contact Uber and Checkr for more information. View the Checkr candidate portal How to visit an Uber driver office How to check the status of your background check Visit the Checkr candidate portal to view the status of your background check. If the report is complete, the next step is to wait for a decision from Uber. Check the status of your report at the Checkr candidate portal You can also check the status of your account in the Uber Driver app. Log in and look for any notices from Uber. If you need to take action, you will see something like "There are a few steps you need to complete," with a checklist of things to do. Check your background check status in the Uber Driver app If the driver app says that your background check is "pending" or "pending approval," it means that Checkr is still completing your background check or Uber is still examining the report. If the status is still pending after 3-5 days, contact Uber for an update and visit your Checkr candidate portal. When your background check is pending, the driver app displays this status screen If the status on Checkr says "consider," it means that a potentially disqualifying issue was flagged on your background or motor vehicle record. Uber will have to "consider" that issue. Unfortunately, seeing "consider" on your Checkr report is a signal that Uber may reject your application. "Consider" is usually bad news for your application. It means a potentially disqualifying issue was flagged How far back does the driving record check look? Uber does not say precisely how far back the background check goes. Each state may have different background checks regulations, making it hard to state a general number. In the past, Uber said that their criteria was "no major violations within the last 7 years," but they no longer publish a specific number. Uber may renew your background check every year, or more Uber performs a yearly background check to see if you've collected any new criminal or driving violations. Uber might also re-run your background check if the background requirements in your area have changed. Even if you pass the first background check, you'll have to pass it every year to continue driving. An app notice for a background check refresh What to do if you get deactivated after a background check Uber may deactivate your account if they find a new issue on your background check that violates their current standards. There isn't a way to directly appeal the decision, but you can contact Uber support and ask them to reconsider. If the deactivation was due to an error in the background check, you can dispute the background check results by contacting Checkr. Deactivated? Try These Delivery Gigs Social Security Number (SSN) issues Some applicants or existing drivers may see this message: "We recently discovered a potential issue with the Social Security Number you provide when you signed up to drive or deliver. Please submit proof of your SSN and a secondary form of identification if you want to continue driving." You might receive that message if there is conflicting information in your records or identity theft concerns that are connected to the SSN. Your account will be placed on hold until you upload the requested documents. Some drivers run into issues with their SSN. Upload more documents to clear the hold HireRight: Incidents on Uber can be reported to Lyft Both Uber and Lyft partner with a consumer reporting agency called HireRight that monitors and report issues that occur on either app. Through HireRight, Uber and Lyft can communicate with each other about serious safety incidents. It is called the Industry Sharing Safety Program. If you are involved in a serious incident on Lyft, HireRight can report the incident to Uber. And if the incident took place on Uber, HireRight can report it to Lyft. That means that you can be deactivated from both platforms from one incident! An incident on Lyft can be reported to Uber through HireRight The Uber driving record (MVR) check: Full details & criteria Uber evaluates your driving record by running motor vehicle report (MVR). Uber doesn't provide complete details on the exact criteria for the driving record check, but they do offer some guidelines. Uber states, "Your driver's license must be active and free of disqualifying restrictions. Major driving violations or a recent history of multiple minor driving violations, including but not limited to no-fault accidents, may result in disqualification." Drivers license history: One year if 25+, 3 years if 24 or younger Uber requires one year of licensing history in the US if you are 25 or older, and 3 years if you are 24 and under. Learner's permit experience does not count toward your one year of licensing history. Uber does not count international driving experience when they examine your background, so even if you have extensive foreign driving experience, you will still need one year of US licensing history. Uber and Checkr might need additional documents to verify your license history if your license was recently issued. You'll get an email from Checkr asking for a previous driver's license, driver's license number, or a motor vehicle report from the DMV. Promptly provide those documents to ensure that the screening process can continue. Major driving violations that can disqualify you Uber says they won't accept drivers with any "major violations." Major violations include: DUI, DWI, wet reckless, or anything related to drinking or drugs and driving Driving on a suspended license Reckless driving Hit and run Fleeing an officer Use of a vehicle to commit a felony Minor driving violations that can disqualify you Minor driving violations are moving violations that result in small tickets or warnings. Generally, Uber may reject you if you have 3 or more minor violations on your record in the last several years. Some minor violations include: Speeding Failure to yield Illegal U-turn Improper passing Disobeying a traffic light Driving with expired registration tags Does Uber look at points against your license? There's no indication that Uber directly looks at points against your license in their driving record criteria. Instead, they examine the violations on your record. Uber doesn't have a system that accepts you if you have x or fewer license points and rejects you if you have more than x license points. States have different point systems, and others don't have point systems at all, so Uber only considers the specific violations that are on your record. Does Uber look at pending criminal or driving issues? If an issue appears on your record—even a pending issue—Uber can count it against you. That means that if you are still in the process of dealing with a criminal issue, Uber can count it against you when they evaluate your record. Here's a quote from help.uber.com: "Pending charges for those categories of crimes are also disqualifying, unless and until such charges are resolved in your favor." Rejected by Uber due to your background? Can you reapply? It's possible—but difficult—to reapply to Uber if they reject you due to your background. Check out our in-depth guide on finding out why you were rejected, and the steps you can take to reapply. Rejected by Uber? Find out if you can reapply Uber Background Check FAQ How long does the background check take to complete? Uber says it takes 3-5 days, but that time frame may vary depending on the number of driver applications Uber and their background check partner are dealing with. Most drivers report that it takes around 2-10 days. "My background check is taking forever. What should I do?" You can check the status of your background check at the Checkr candidate portal. If Checkr has completed the report, you are waiting on Uber to make a decision. Contact Uber if there is further delay. "I am accused of a crime, but my case is still pending. Does Uber see pending charges?" Pending charges show up on your background check, so Uber can use that information. Pending charges are a common reason for rejection. "Uber rejected me due to my background. Can I reapply?" It is possible to apply again in 3-6 months, but depending on why you were rejected, you may be unable to reapply. Learn more about how to reapply to Uber. "My background check is incorrect or incomplete. How can I dispute it?" You can dispute your background check by emailing [email protected]. Uber will not review the details of your screening with you, so always go to Checkr first. Will you pass the background check? A trick to find out Hundreds of commenters have come to us with all sorts of legal scenarios and wonder if they will pass the background check. Nobody other than Uber can say whether you'll pass, but generally speaking, you should pass if your criminal history has been clean for the past 10 years or so, and if your driving record doesn't have any major issues. Here's a trick to help you find out if you'll pass without applying. Apply to delivery Gigs. They have similar hiring standards Other on-demand companies like DoorDash use the same background check company as Uber—Checkr—to run your background check, and many of the gig apps have similar background standards. If you're not sure that Uber will accept you, and if you don't want to risk your one chance of applying, apply to DoorDash first. If DoorDash rejects you, Uber likely will reject you as well. And if they accept you, there's a strong chance that Uber will accept you too. Don't have a car? You can still apply and do background screening If you want to do the background check before figuring out how to get a car, visit the Uber application and select "I need a car." When you select "I need a car," you can do the background screening without entering vehicle information. If you pass the background check, Uber will refer you to their rental car options, but you can get a car however you want. Will you pass? The only way to find out is to apply! Nobody can tell you for sure if Uber will accept you or not. The background check is free, so there's no harm in trying. Apply and see what happens! Driving for Uber can be a great side hustle, and in a good area, you can even turn ridesharing into a decent full-time income. Signing up for Uber is simple. You just upload your driver's license, vehicle registration, and proof of insurance, and pass the Uber background check. The first part of the sign-up process doesn't cause drivers too many problems, but the background check is often unexpected and takes people by surprise. Because you're going to be a self-employed independent contractor and not an Uber employee, you're probably got some questions about the background check. New drivers commonly ask the following questions: Why is Uber making me do a background check? What's Uber's background check going to look at? How long does the Uber background check take? Does Uber do background checks? Let's look at some details and get you up to speed. Why Does Uber Need To Do A Background Check? Drivers are independent contractors working on a self-employed basis, but it's the Uber brand that gets the bad press and a lawsuit if a driver attacks a passenger or causes an accident. So it stands to reason that Uber will have certain standards that drivers have to meet. In addition to Uber's internal standards, many jurisdictions have rideshare ordinances that platforms need to follow with specific background check requirements. By carrying out background checks that comply with best practices and local laws Uber reduces its liability if a ride goes badly wrong. Related Reading: Does Uber Eats Do Background Check? How Far Back Does Uber Background Check Go? Uber's background check follows local and state laws and it's impossible to say how far the background check will go in your case. The background check will go back at least 7 years. Thirteen states have limited background checks to 7 years, but most others don't place any limits on the amount of history that can be searched. However, even in states with a 7-year limit, if a driving position is considered safety-sensitive, the limit won't apply. Many states and cities also have their own rideshare requirements, and platforms may be obligated to look at a candidate's lifetime history and follow the disqualifying criteria laid down by local ordinances. States with a 7-year background check limit are: California Colorado Kansas Kentucky Maryland Massachusetts Montana Nevada New Hampshire New Mexico New York Texas Washington Does Uber Check Your Employment Background? No, they don't check your past employment or current employment. They also aren't interested in your credit report or your education record. The Uber drivers background check isn't a typical pre-employment background check, it's a driver screening check. And while many employers want those extra details, Uber doesn't need them. Their sole interest is whether you're considered safe to drive passengers. Related Article: Can Felons Drive For Uber? How Long Does Uber Background Check Take? There's no defined time limit for the background check. Uber says they aim to process background checks within 3 to 5 working days. Often checks take much longer than that but sometimes everything goes through in a couple of days. Your background check has to go through two stages. The first part of the check is carried out by Checkr, the agency Uber uses for background reports. Once Checkr has compiled data about you, they pass the report on to Uber, who will then approve or deny you. Hold-ups can occur at either stage for several reasons: If Checkr has a larger-than-normal volume of reports to deal with, your background report will take longer than normal. If Checkr is having difficulty obtaining records from any states or counties you've lived in, you'll need to wait until they get those records. Sometimes Checkr has completed the report and Uber is the cause of the delay because they've got a backlog to get through. How To Keep An Eye On The Background Check Process Few things are more frustrating than waiting for the outcome of a decision that you have zero control over. And while you can't speed the Uber background check along, you can keep an eye on its progress. Look On The Checkr Portal Login to the Checkr portal using the login and password you created when you submitted your details. Click on "Status" and you'll be able to see if Checkr has completed the background check and report is over to Uber, or if the check is still pending, or suspended. Pending means that your check is underway. Suspended means that you need to provide more information or documentation. Use the upload link to supply what they ask for. If your background check is complete, Checkr has finished your report. A complete background check does not mean that you passed the background check only that the report is ready for Uber's review. When Checkr sends a report to Uber, it's marked "consider" or "clear". Clear means that no disqualifying information has been found. Whereas, consider means that a potentially disqualifying driving offense or criminal offense has been found. Check Your Uber Account Profile Status Onboarding - Your background check is underway and the documents you submitted are being reviewed. Waitlisted - Your application is on hold. Your documents could be expired, you could have submitted incorrect details - mistyped your social security number for example - or information may have been altered. If you're already an Uber driver, you'll be waitlisted until your background check is renewed. Consider - This means that Checkr has completed your background report but you haven't been cleared yet because of criminal or driving offenses on your record. Your report is still waiting for review by the Uber team. Rejected - Your background report contained adverse information and you don't meet the required standards to drive for Uber. Active - You've passed the background check and you're all set to start driving passengers. What Does Uber's Background Check Cost? Most Uber applicants won't have to pay for the background check because Uber covers the cost. However, if you're planning to drive for Uber in New York City, you first need to get a license from the Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC), and that process requires an application fee. Does Uber's Background Check Include A Drug Test? No, there's no drug test for most Uber applicants, only a criminal records check and a motor vehicle report check. Uber applicants in New York City will need to pass a drug test as part of the licensing process required for rideshare and taxi drivers in NYC. How Strict Is Uber Drivers Background Check? The Uber background check is pretty strict. Uber must make sure that you're a safe road user, who won't put passenger safety at risk by driving too fast, rolling through stop signs, running red lights, or driving under the influence. They also need to know that you're not a criminal who could be tempted to assault passengers, steal from them, or break into their property after you dropped them off at the airport. A background check might seem like a big inconvenience when you're eager to earn some money, but put yourself in the passenger's shoes. They're getting into a stranger's car and trusting that they're going to be safe with the driver. The background check isn't perfect and Uber is currently being sued by 550 female passengers who claim their Uber drivers sexually assaulted them. Nevertheless, the Uber background check is a very important safety procedure, and background checks are part and parcel of being a rideshare driver. What Would Make You Fail A Background Check For Uber? You can fail the background check for a number of reasons. If Checkr can't verify your identity, your background check can't proceed and they'll contact you to get more information. If you can't provide the information they need, your background check will fail. The documents you upload must be clear and show your name exactly as you entered it on your Uber application. For example, Luke J. Carson is a different identity from Luke James Carson or Luke Carson. Your driving record could be the reason that you've failed Uber's background check. To pass the general driving record requirements, you must have held your license for at least 3 years if you're under 25 (not including a learner's permit), and for 1 year if you're over 25. You can't have more than 3 minor violations in the past 3 years or any major violations in the past 7 years. Minor violations include: Minimal speeding Failure to stop at a stop sign Improper lane changes Not paying a toll Major violations include: DUI or DWI Hit and run Reckless or dangerous driving Excessive speeding Running a red light Failure to yield Vehicle-related felony Driving without a license Some states may have stricter driving record standards. For example, California doesn't allow a DUI in the past 10 years. The other reason you could fail is because of information found during the criminal record search. Certain offenses during the last 7 years are disqualifying, and older offenses may also be a problem if the background check went back that far and picked them up. Within the last 7 years you cannot have the following offenses on your record: A felony Sexual offenses Violent offenses DUI Other serious offenses Offenses that result in permanent disqualification from Uber include murder, terrorism, and sexual assault. Registered sex offenders will not be approved for Uber. Does Uber Do More Than One Background Check? If you've heard that Uber carries out multiple background checks on drivers, you heard right. Once you're approved for the Uber platform, you'll need to pass periodic background checks to keep your active status. Uber will require a new background check at least once every 12 months, but if your state or city has more stringent requirements, you could be checked every 4 - 6 months. Uber usually sends out notifications to tell you that your background check is going to expire soon and directs you to initiate a background check on Checkr. But drivers report that those notifications don't always come through and when they do, they're easy to miss. If you don't get your new background check done before your previous one expires, you'll be deactivated until the background check clears you to drive. And this can leave you unable to earn an income on Uber for several weeks or several months. The repeat background check is exactly the same as the first one you had to pass when you signed up to drive for Uber. Checkr will search for criminal offenses and driving offenses, and if anything new pops up, you could be denied access to the platform. As a rideshare driver, it's vital that you observe all traffic laws so you can continue to operate on Uber and other platforms. While you might shrug off a \$75 speeding ticket, it could come back to bite you on your next background check. If you get a ticket, it's worth speaking to a lawyer to find out if you can fight the charge and keep your driving record clean. Another reason you'll need to pass a new background check is if you move to a new state. Because of the lengthy deactivation that can occur while you're waiting to get your background check for Uber renewed, it's a good idea to drive for multiple rideshare platforms so you don't lose your entire income if you run into a problem. What To Do If You Fail Uber's Background Check If you fail the background check, your next step depends on whether you failed because your background was accurate or because of a mistake on your report. If you know that you've got offenses on your driving record or criminal record, you'll need to see what you can do to remove those offenses before you apply again. Removing Offenses Minor driving violations may be eligible for removal if you take traffic school classes or complete a defensive driving course. Your local DMV will have more information about which driving offenses are eligible, or you can look up information about traffic schools online. Some criminal offenses may be eligible for expungement after all sentencing requirements have been met. If you can get your offense expunged, it won't appear on your background reports in the future. Expungement requirements will vary from state to state, so you'll need to contact a lawyer to see if you're eligible and find out how to proceed. Rectifying Errors If you failed the background check because of an error, follow the procedure detailed in the pre-adverse action notice Uber sends you. You'll need to obtain the free copy of your background report that they offer you so you can see what offenses are listed. Then you have to file a dispute with Checkr and provide evidence that the offenses listed aren't yours. You can also appeal if you believe your offenses are outside the time frame that Uber considers in your area. Background agencies are known to make mistakes, so you should always check the report. Wrapping Up You'll need to pass Uber's background check before you can drive passengers. The driver screening checks your identity, driving record, and criminal record. The background check will go back as far as state and local laws allow, and different jurisdictions have different disqualifying criteria for rideshare drivers. Uber aims to complete background checks quickly but delays are common and you can't speed things up. If you've been disqualified for a driving violation, you may be able to get the offense removed from your record - check with your local DMV to find out. Robert Eric (a lover of Cats and Dogs) is the co-founder of HireFelonsJobs. In our search for a better life, after a platform was created for the purpose of easing the search for ex-convicts. If you want to drive with Uber or deliver for Uber Eats, you must undergo a background check that looks into your criminal history and driving record. Uber can reject your application if your background doesn't meet the current screening criteria! Read on to learn how the background check works and what issues in your background or driving record might prevent you from getting accepted by Uber. Want to drive with Uber? Click here to sign up! Article Contents Overview of the Uber background check All Uber and Uber Eats applicants must undergo a background check to be eligible to drive. It is a screening procedure that uses public records to examine your criminal history and driving record. After you consent to the background check and provide your social security number (SSN), a third-party background check company (Checkr) looks at public records and delivers a report to Uber. After reviewing the results of your background screening, Uber will accept or reject your application. The background check is free and Uber does not run a credit check. Uber also periodically re-runs your background check, typically once per year. You can be deactivated if Uber finds new violations on your record. Note: Criteria is subject to local laws. Different states may have different background standards. Your criminal background must meet these conditions: No serious crimes such as murder, sexual assault, terrorism-related offenses No convictions for a felony, violent crime, or sexual offenses Some non-violent felony convictions may be accepted Pending charges can be disqualifying until the charges are resolved in your favor Your motor vehicle report must meet these conditions: A minimum of 1 year of licensed driving history in the U.S. Age 24 and under: At least 3 years licensed driving experience International driving experience doesn't count A clean Motor Vehicle Report (MVR) with no more than 3 incidents in recent history No DUIs and no reckless driving California Uber drivers must not have a DUI in the last 10 years. No speeding violations for driving 20 mph or greater over the speed limit in recent history Uber does not perform a credit check Source: Help.uber.com Want to apply? Sign up with Uber here Left: The background check consent. Right: The message you see while your check is in progress The background check looks at these records County courthouse records for every county of residence Federal courthouse records The multi-state criminal database Motor Vehicle Records Social Security Trace National Sex Offender Registry How often does Uber do background checks? In most states, Uber runs a background check once each year. Uber might also run a new background check if the background standards have changed recently or to comply with a new local law. There is no set date for the yearly background check, so it's hard to predict when the next background check will happen. Uber renews your background check at least once each year How long does it take to complete the Uber background check? The background check typically takes around 2-10 days to complete. If you haven't received an update from Uber after 7 days, contact Uber and Checkr for more information. View the Checkr candidate portal How to visit an Uber driver office How to check the status of your background check Visit the Checkr candidate portal to view the status of your background check. If the report is complete, the next step is to wait for a decision from Uber. Check the status of your report at the Checkr candidate portal You can also check the status of your account in the Uber Driver app. Log in and look for any notices from Uber. If you need to take action, you will see something like "There are a few steps you need to complete," with a checklist of things to do. Check your background check status in the Uber Driver app If the driver app says that your background check is "pending" or "pending approval," it means that Checkr is still completing your background check or Uber is still examining the report. If the status is still pending after 3-5 days, contact Uber for an update and visit your Checkr candidate portal. When your background check is pending, the driver app displays this status screen If the status on Checkr says "consider," it means that a potentially disqualifying issue was flagged on your background or motor vehicle record. Uber will have to "consider" that issue. Unfortunately, seeing "consider" on your Checkr report is a signal that Uber may reject your application. "Consider" is usually bad news for your application. It means a potentially disqualifying issue was flagged How far back does the driving record check look? Uber does not say precisely how far back the background check goes. Each state may have different background checks regulations, making it hard to state a general number. In the past, Uber said that their criteria was "no major violations within the last 7 years," but they no longer publish a specific number. Uber may renew your background check every year, or more Uber performs a yearly background check to see if you've collected any new criminal or driving violations. Uber might also re-run your background check if the background requirements in your area have changed. Even if you pass the first background check, you'll have to pass it every year to continue driving. An app notice for a background check refresh What to do if you get deactivated after a background check Uber may deactivate your account if they find a new issue on your background check that violates their current standards. There isn't a way to directly appeal the decision, but you can contact Uber support and ask them to reconsider. If the deactivation was due to an error in the background check, you can dispute the background check results by contacting Checkr. Deactivated? Try These Delivery Gigs Social Security Number (SSN) issues Some applicants or existing drivers may see this message: "We recently discovered a potential issue with the Social Security Number you provide when you signed up to drive or deliver. Please submit proof of your SSN and a secondary form of identification if you want to continue driving." You might receive that message if there is conflicting information in your records or identity theft concerns that are connected to the SSN. Your account will be placed on hold until you upload the requested documents. Some drivers run into issues with their SSN. Upload more documents to clear the hold HireRight: Incidents on Uber can be reported to Lyft Both Uber and Lyft partner with a consumer reporting agency called HireRight that monitors and report issues that occur on either app. Through HireRight, Uber and Lyft can communicate with each other about serious safety incidents. It is called the Industry Sharing Safety Program. If you are involved in a serious incident on Lyft, HireRight can report the incident to Uber. And if the incident took place on Uber, HireRight can report it to Lyft. That means that you can be deactivated from both platforms from one incident! An incident on Lyft can be reported to Uber through HireRight The Uber driving record (MVR) check: Full details & criteria Uber evaluates your driving record by running motor vehicle report (MVR). Uber doesn't provide complete details on the exact criteria for the driving record check, but they do offer some guidelines. Uber states, "Your driver's license must be active and free of disqualifying restrictions. Major driving violations or a recent history of multiple minor driving violations, including but not limited to no-fault accidents, may result in disqualification." Drivers license history: One year if 25+, 3 years if 24 or younger Uber requires one year of licensing history in the US if you are 25 or older, and 3 years if you are 24 and under. Learner's permit experience does not count toward your one year of licensing history. Uber does not count international driving experience when they examine your background, so even if you have extensive foreign driving experience, you will still need one year of US licensing history. Uber and Checkr might need additional documents to verify your license history if your license was recently issued. You'll get an email from Checkr asking for a previous driver's license, driver's license number, or a motor vehicle report from the DMV. Promptly provide those documents to ensure that the screening process can continue. Major driving violations that can disqualify you Uber says they won't accept drivers with any "major violations." Major violations include: DUI, DWI, wet reckless, or anything related to drinking or drugs and driving Driving on a suspended license Reckless driving Hit and run Fleeing an officer Use of a vehicle to commit a felony Minor driving violations that can disqualify you Minor driving violations are moving violations that result in small tickets or warnings. Generally, Uber may reject you if you have 3 or more minor violations on your record in the last several years. Some minor violations include: Speeding Failure to yield Illegal U-turn Improper passing Disobeying a traffic light Driving with expired registration tags Does Uber look at points against your license? There's no indication that Uber directly looks at points against your license in their driving record criteria. Instead, they examine the violations on your record. Uber doesn't have a system that accepts you if you have x or fewer license points and rejects you if you have more than x license points. States have different point systems, and others don't have point systems at all, so Uber only considers the specific violations that are on your record. Does Uber look at pending criminal or driving issues? If an issue appears on your record—even a pending issue—Uber can count it against you. That means that if you are still in the process of dealing with a criminal issue, Uber can count it against you when they evaluate your record. Here's a quote from help.uber.com: "Pending charges for those categories of crimes are also disqualifying, unless and until such charges are resolved in your favor." Rejected by Uber due to your background? Can you reapply? It's possible—but difficult—to reapply to Uber if they reject you due to your background. Check out our in-depth guide on finding out why you were rejected, and the steps you can take to reapply. Rejected by Uber? Find out if you can reapply Uber Background Check FAQ How long does the background check take to complete? Uber says it takes 3-5 days, but that time frame may vary depending on the number of driver applications Uber and their background check partner are dealing with. Most drivers report that it takes around 2-10 days. "My background check is taking forever. What should I do?" You can check the status of your background check at the Checkr candidate portal. If Checkr has completed the report, you are waiting on Uber to make a decision. Contact Uber if there is further delay. "I am accused of a crime, but my case is still pending. Does Uber see pending charges?" Pending charges show up on your background check, so Uber can use that information. Pending charges are a common reason for rejection. "Uber rejected me due to my background. Can I reapply?" It is possible to apply again in 3-6 months, but depending on why you were rejected, you may be unable to reapply. Learn more about how to reapply to Uber. "My background check is incorrect or incomplete. How can I dispute it?" You can dispute your background check by emailing [email protected]. Uber will not review the details of your screening with you, so always go to Checkr first. Will you pass the background check? A trick to find out Hundreds of commenters have come to us with all sorts of legal scenarios and wonder if they will pass the background check. Nobody other than Uber can say whether you'll pass, but generally speaking, you should pass if your criminal history has been clean for the past 10 years or so, and if your driving record doesn't have any major issues. Here's a trick to help you find out if you'll pass without applying. Apply to delivery Gigs. They have similar hiring standards Other on-demand companies like DoorDash use the same background check company as Uber—Checkr—to run your background check, and many of the gig apps have similar background standards. If you're not sure that Uber will accept you, and if you don't want to risk your one chance of applying, apply to DoorDash first. If DoorDash rejects you, Uber likely will reject you as well. And if they accept you, there's a strong chance that Uber will accept you too. Don't have a car? You can still apply and do background screening If you want to do the background check before figuring out how to get a car, visit the Uber application and select "I need a car." When you select "I need a car," you can do the background screening without entering vehicle information. If you pass the background check, Uber will refer you to their rental car options, but you can get a car however you want. Will you pass? The only way to find out is to apply! Nobody can tell you for sure if Uber will accept you or not. The background check is free, so there's no harm in trying. Apply and see what happens!