

# The Dutch Probation Service checks your data

**How do we check your identity? The Dutch Probation Service is obliged by law to check your identity. We do that by comparing your data and documents against each other and by scanning your fingerprint or by checking your identity document.**

## Which data do we compare?

- All the data available on your case, such as the request for a social inquiry report, the police report or the court's decision.
- Your personal details such as your first name(s) and surname, and place and date of birth.
- The address where you are registered according to the Municipal Personal Records Database (GBA) and the address of any actual place of residence.
- The identity record in the criminal justice organisations database (SKDB).

## How do we check your identity?

We check your identity by making a scan of your fingerprint. It could also be the case that the police already have your fingerprints on record. One or two fingerprints are scanned when you see the Dutch Probation Service for the first time. Your fingerprints are checked right away against the information in the criminal justice organisations database.

In the future, the fingerprint scan will be almost the only method used. If no fingerprint is available in the system or the fingerprint check is not possible, your identity will be established on the basis of an ID document.

## Cooperation

You are obliged by law to cooperate in the identity check. If you do not do so, we have to report this to the public prosecutor.

## Identity check

YOUR IDENTITY WILL BE CHECKED



## If there are any doubts

Your identity may be in doubt. In that case, we report it to the Matching Department of the Central Criminal Records Office.

## There are two ways of checking your identity:

- by scanning your fingerprint. And if that is not possible;
- by checking on the basis of a valid ID document.

## The Dutch Probation Service

The Dutch Probation Service (*Reclassering Nederland*) is working to build a safer society. We cooperate with the judicial authorities, the police, the prison system and municipalities to prevent criminality and reduce re-offending. Our task is to produce recommendations for the judges, public prosecutors and prison authorities. In addition, we are charged with the supervision of suspects and offenders. And we make sure that those convicted carry out their community service. We try to motivate people to change their behaviour by a mixture of persuasion and coercion. Society is entitled to this. And it is also in the interests of suspects and convicted persons.

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