

CORI Requirements for BSA Volunteers

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Department of Criminal Justice Information Services has a requirement that must be met in an effort to be thorough and accurate when obtaining Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI).

The requirement is to verify each applicant's identity by viewing a government issued photographic ID (such as a driver's license, passport or military ID). A clear, legible copy of the ID must be then attached to the CORI request form. This will help ensure that an accurate background check is done. Every new volunteer must complete the form and supply the photo ID. The committee chairperson of the unit must check that the photo ID matches the appearance of the newly recruited leader.

To facilitate this process, we are asking you to have all potential leaders complete the CORI form, attach the copy of the photo ID and submit with their completed BSA Volunteer Adult Application to the Council Office.

Existing volunteers must also submit a CORI form to their unit leader. While all existing leaders already have an ID on file at the council office, they must still show one to the Committee Chairman. It is not necessary to submit an additional copy of the ID.

Your cooperation will help to keep the Scouting programs a safe place for children as well as help in complying with the rules of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Thank you for your continued vigilance in selecting the best leaders for the youth of your unit, and for all that you do to support Scouting in your community.

If you have any questions regarding CORI forms, please contact Marian McQuaid, at 617-615-0004 ext. 307 or by email at mmcquaid@bsaboston.org