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**UPDATE: The alternative background check for any adult member requiring a fingerprint card has been extended again to 31 October 2020.**

During the period 1 April through 30 June 2020, new applications for senior or cadet sponsor membership that are unable to obtain hard copy fingerprints may annotate "Fingerprinting Unavailable" across the top of the CAP Form 12 prior to submission to National Headquarters for processing.

The alternative option to a fingerprint card will be extended through 31 July 2020.

National Headquarters will screen the applicant through Sterling Volunteer, the commercial vendor used for the five-year criminal background rescreening process.

The membership eligibility criteria outlined in CAPR 39-2 has not changed.

Unit Commanders are still required to interview new applicants, have virtual membership boards and are strongly encouraged to use CAP Pamphlet 60-14, First Talk Guide, for the interviews.

For questions contact [membershipservices@capnhq.gov](mailto:membershipservices@capnhq.gov)