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Whether you need a DBS check depends on your role. Basic DBS checks can be requested by anyone in England or Wales. Standard and Enhanced checks are only eligible for specific professions mainly those involving vulnerable groups, finance, legal work, healthcare or security. Your employer or screening provider can confirm which level applies to your role.