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CRB stands for Criminal Records Bureau the organisation that issued criminal record checks in the UK until 2012, when it was replaced by the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS). The two terms are often used interchangeably, but DBS is the correct current term.