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# GoodHire

## The Insider's Guide

Employment background checks priced per check, with custom quotes



**Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among hiring and applicant tracking tools, read from GoodHire's own pages.**

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ToolGPA put this guide together from GoodHire's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on GoodHire's page too, where it is kept up to date. Checked Nov 13, 2026.

# Welcome

What it is, who it suits, its grades and the ten things to know first

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GPA, above 6 of the 101 other hiring and applicant tracking tools we grade

GoodHire is an employment background check service with three self-serve packages priced per check, plus custom quotes for employers running more than 50 checks a year. It lists 100+ screening services, a dashboard for managing checks across locations, an API and ATS and HRIS integrations. Third-party fees may apply on top.

To get you started, here are **8 things to know about GoodHire**, taken from its own pages and our grades.

> **Self-serve ordering is quicker than most here, but you still set up consent, packages and any integration.**
>
> From our grade for ease of use

**1** **Best for self-serve checks for small employers**

GoodHire sells three packages at $29.99, $59.99 and $94.99 a check and lists 100+ screening services.

**2** **What it costs**

Paid plans start at $29.99 per check, plus pass-through fees.

**3** **It runs on Web**

Web.

**4** **Tiered packages**

Three preset packages step up from a national criminal search to county, state and federal searches with identity verification.

**5** **100+ screening services**

Criminal, driving record (MVR), drug test, education and employment verification checks can be added to a custom package.

**6** **Custom packages by role**

Larger employers can design screening packages by job role or client and manage checks across locations from one dashboard.

**7** **A 1.6 GPA, above 6 of 101**

That is against the other hiring and applicant tracking tools we grade, on value, the free plan, features, ease of use and platforms.

**8** **Keep it**

To replace GoodHire you would be making connections to other products, each kept working as those products change. That is not a weekend's work, with an AI app builder or without one.

### GoodHire at a glance

PRICING
Paid, from $29.99 per check, plus pass-through fees

FREE PLAN
No

FREE TRIAL
None stated

RUNS ON
Web

MADE BY
GoodHire

CATEGORY
Hiring & Applicant Tracking

OUR GRADE
1.6 GPA, weak

## The report card

### Best for self-serve checks for small employers

GoodHire sells three packages at $29.99, $59.99 and $94.99 a check and lists 100+ screening services. Court and state fees are added on top, drug tests and employment checks are not in the packages, and above 50 checks a year it moves to a custom quote.

| TOOLGPA REPORT CARD | GoodHire | Graded Nov 13, 2026 |
|---|---|---|
| SUBJECT | GRADE | COMMENT |
| **Value for money** | C | Per-check pricing of $29.99 to $94.99 is not a monthly figure, so it cannot be set against this category's $95 middle subscription. Pass-through fees are extra. |
| **Free plan and trial** | F | No free plan or trial on the pricing page. |
| **Features** | C | Three packages, 100+ services, role-based custom packages, an API and compliance support. Drug tests, driving records, education and employment checks are not in the three packages' listed contents. |
| **Ease of use** | C | Self-serve ordering is quicker than most here, but you still set up consent, packages and any integration. No store rating is on record. |
| **Platforms and integrations** | C | Web only. The listing mentions an API and ATS and HRIS links, but the pages we read name none of them. |
| **Grade point average** | | Weak, out of 4.0 **1.6** |

An A is worth 4 points, a B 3, a C 2, a D 1 and an F nothing. The GPA is the average of the five.

### Who GoodHire is for

- ✓ Fits if you run fewer than 50 checks a year and want to order online
- ✓ Works for small firms that want fixed per-check packages rather than a quote

### Who it is not for

- ✗ Skip it if you want to try before paying, because there is no free plan or trial
- ✗ Watch out: court and state pass-through fees come on top of every package price
- ✗ Watch out: drug, driving, education and employment checks are not in the three packages
- ✗ Tight if you grow past 50 checks a year, since the self-serve pricing stops there
- ✗ Skip it if you need a named list of integrations, as the pages we read give none

## Good to know

### Good for

- ✓ Small employers running a few checks without a contract
- ✓ Staffing, healthcare and nonprofit hiring teams with set screening needs
- ✓ Larger organizations that want custom packages and an API

### Worth knowing

- ⓘ Package prices exclude third-party pass-through fees such as court and state access fees.
- ⓘ The self-serve pricing is for under 50 checks a year; above that the vendor offers a custom quote.
- ⓘ Drug tests, MVR, education and employment checks are not in the three packages' listed contents.
- ⓘ The pages read do not name specific ATS integrations.

PART 02 · PRICING

# What it costs

Every plan, the free plan, ways to pay less and how prices have moved

**$29.99**

To start

GoodHire is a paid product, starting at $29.99 per check, plus pass-through fees.

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**No free plan or trial on the pricing page.**

From our grade for free plan and trial

BASIC

**$29.99**

per check, plus pass-through fees

SSN trace, sex offender registry, global watchlist and national criminal search.

ESSENTIAL

**$59.99**

per check, plus pass-through fees

Adds identity verification and unlimited county criminal searches to the Basic checks.

COMPLETE

**$94.99**

per check, plus pass-through fees

Adds unlimited state criminal searches and a federal criminal search to the Essential checks.

Read from goodhire.com on Nov 13, 2026.

# What it does

Its main features, where it runs, what it works with and who makes it

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Place it runs: Web

Employment background checks priced per check, with custom quotes. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: public API, workflow automation, applicant tracking, employee records.

> **Drug tests, driving records, education and employment checks are not in the three packages' listed contents.**
>
> From our grade for features

### Tiered packages

Three preset packages step up from a national criminal search to county, state and federal searches with identity verification.

### 100+ screening services

Criminal, driving record (MVR), drug test, education and employment verification checks can be added to a custom package.

### Custom packages by role

Larger employers can design screening packages by job role or client and manage checks across locations from one dashboard.

### API and ATS integrations

The vendor says it offers an API and pre-built integrations with ATS and HRIS tools, though the pages read name none of them.

## Compliance support

Provides FCRA-related guidance from an in-house compliance team, plus employer forms and state-by-state background check pages.

### Where it runs

Web

### What it works with

Its own pages name no integrations.

GoodHire is made by GoodHire.

PART 04 · STANDING

# Where it stands

Its grades against its category, and whether to keep it or make your own

**6/101**

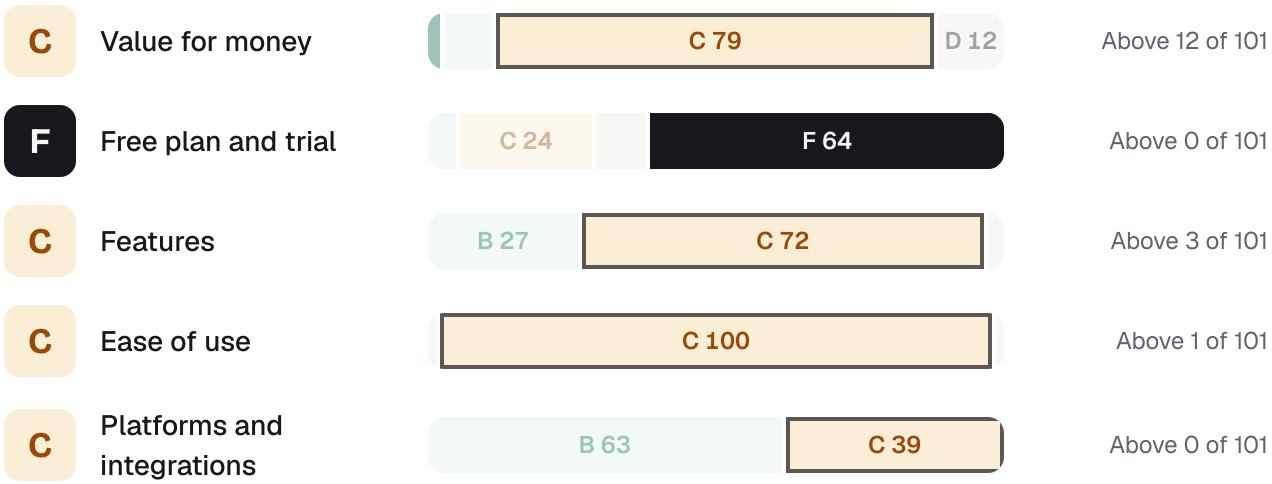
Other hiring and applicant tracking tools it is graded above

GoodHire's GPA of 1.6 is higher than 6 of the 101 other hiring and applicant tracking tools we grade, and level with 23.

It stands best on value for money (C, above 12 of 101) and worst on free plan and trial (F, above 0).

## Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 102 hiring and applicant tracking tools we grade, cut by the letter each got. GoodHire's own letter is outlined.




## Keep it, or make your own?

Whether this is something you could build for yourself with an AI app builder, and what you would give up.

## Keep it

To replace GoodHire you would be making connections to other products, each kept working as those products change. That is not a weekend's work, with an AI app builder or without one.

That makes this kind of software worth paying for, not this one in particular: 72 of the 101 other hiring and applicant tracking tools grade higher.

### What you could make

- Applicant tracking and employee records: an app builder makes these well.

### What you could not

- Connections to other products, each kept working as those products change.

**What this rests on.** GoodHire's listing: what it does, where it runs, what it plugs into and what it costs. It is a judgement about the kind of software this is. We have not built a replacement for it, and making your own means looking after it too. How we decide, and every tool's verdict.

# The alternatives

The tools it is most often weighed against, side by side



Checkr, HireRight, First Advantage, Accurate and Certn

The 5 tools GoodHire is most often weighed against, with where each one differs from it.

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## Checkr

From $29.99

Pay-per-report background checks for hiring, with an API.

GoodHire and Checkr compared in full

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## HireRight

Paid

Global employment background screening, sold by quote.

GoodHire and HireRight compared in full

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2.0 GPA

## First Advantage

Paid

Background screening and identity checks for employers.

GoodHire and First Advantage compared in full



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GPA

## Accurate

Paid

Global employment background screening, sold through sales.

GoodHire and Accurate compared in full



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## Certn

From $13.99

Self-serve background checks billed per check, US and Canada.

GoodHire and Certn compared in full

# Quick answers

The questions people ask about it, each answered in a line or two

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Questions, each answered in a line or two

The short version of everything above, for when you only need the answer. Each one is told in full in its part of the guide.

### Is GoodHire free?

No. GoodHire is a paid product, starting at $29.99 per check, plus pass-through fees.

### How much does GoodHire cost?

GoodHire lists 3 plans. Basic: $29.99 per check, plus pass-through fees.

### What platforms does GoodHire work on?

GoodHire is available on Web.

### Does GoodHire have an Android app?

No Android app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. GoodHire is listed for Web.

### Does GoodHire have an iPhone app?

No iPhone app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. GoodHire is listed for Web.

### Is GoodHire open source?

GoodHire is not described as open source on its own site, as read on Nov 13, 2026.

### Does GoodHire have an API?

Yes. GoodHire offers a public API, according to its own site.

### Who makes GoodHire?

GoodHire is made by a company of the same name.

### What are the alternatives to GoodHire?

The closest alternatives to GoodHire in our directory are Checkr, HireRight, First Advantage, Accurate and Certn.

### How does GoodHire compare with other hiring and applicant tracking tools?

GoodHire's GPA of 1.6 is higher than 6 of the 101 other hiring and applicant tracking tools we grade, and level with 23.

### Could I make my own version of GoodHire?

To replace GoodHire you would be making connections to other products, each kept working as those products change.

## Where this guide comes from

The prices, plans, platforms and features were read from GoodHire's own pages on Nov 13, 2026, and the grades were given on Nov 13, 2026. Graded from this listing, whose facts were read from GoodHire's own pages on 13 November 2026. Not based on using the product, and shorter than our full reviews.

Every tool we list gets five grades, A to F, each with its reason, and a GPA that averages them. How each is decided is at toolgpa.com/grades. This guide is ToolGPA's own work; it is not made, paid for or approved by GoodHire. Prices change, so check goodhire.com before you buy.

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PART 07 · ABOUT

# About ToolGPA

Who made this guide, what else is on the site, and how to cite it

**7,721**

Tools graded, in 95 categories

ToolGPA grades software the way a school report grades a pupil: five subjects, a letter for each with the reason written beside it, and a GPA that averages them. Prices, plans and platforms are read from each maker's own pages and dated, so you always know how fresh a figure is.

Every grade, review and ranking on ToolGPA is our own judgement. No company can pay for a grade or change one. Every tool on the site has a guide like this one, free to download and pass on. It all lives at **toolgpa.com**.

| 7,721 | 95 | 739 | 579 |
|---|---|---|---|
| tools graded | categories | price changes on record | apps priced in 12 countries |

## What else is on toolgpa.com

### GoodHire, kept up to date

Everything in this guide, with prices and grades as they are today

toolgpa.com/tools/goodhire

### How grades are given

The rules behind every letter and every GPA

toolgpa.com/grades

### Value charts

What each tool costs against what it scores, for every category

toolgpa.com/charts

### Compare

Any two tools side by side, plan by plan

toolgpa.com/compare

### Price changes

Every price rise and cut on record, each with its source

toolgpa.com/price-changes

### Prices by country

What apps cost on the App Store in 12 countries

toolgpa.com/prices-by-country

### Pay less

Every public discount: yearly billing, students, nonprofits

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### Keep or make

Which tools are worth paying for, and which you could build yourself

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Prices and grades as they are today

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### Hiring & Applicant Tracking Insider's Guide

Every one of the 102 hiring and applicant tracking tools we grade, compared

### Manatal Insider's Guide

Low-cost per-user ATS and recruitment CRM with AI candidate matching

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### Breezy HR Insider's Guide

Flat-priced applicant tracking with a free one-job plan

2.6 GPA

### JOIN Insider's Guide

Multiposting and applicant management priced per open job

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