

Basic Fingerprint Identification

Part of our Friction Ridge Evidence Series

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Hosted by: Texas City Police Department

February 17 - 21, 2025

Location: 1004 - 9th Ave N. Texas City, TX

Time: 8AM - 5PM

ABOUT THE COURSE

This course is for criminal justice personnel, officers and laboratory technicians who work with fingerprints and is designed for beginners. No experience is necessary. The objective is to train the student in fingerprint pattern recognition and to compare and identify fingerprints. Instruction on the history of fingerprints, basic physiology of friction ridge formation, the taking of inked fingerprints, basic tools/ methodology used in fingerprint comparison and basic courtroom testimony dealing with enhanced punishment (pen packet testimony) is included.

Note: This course does not include work with latent prints.

PREREQUISITE: None.

YOU WILL LEARN

- Introduction to Fingerprints
- Fingerprint History
- Fingerprint Physiology
- Fingerprint Definitions
- Fingerprint Pattern Identification
- Fingerprint Pattern Interpretation
- Fingerprint Pattern Comparison
- Recording Inked Fingerprint Impressions
- Courtroom Testimony & Demeanor
- Introduction to AFIS

ABOUT THE INSTRUCTOR



Walter Henson retired as the Manager of the Fingerprint Processing Bureau after over 27 years with the Texas Department of Public Safety. His previous positions included; Automated Fingerprint Identification (A.F.I.S.) Project Assistant, LiveScan Coordinator for the State of Texas, and Forensic Scientist in the Latent Print Section at the DPS Crime Laboratory in Austin, Texas. Walter holds an instructor certification from the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement and has taught classes throughout the State on the Development and Comparison of Latent Prints. Walter has conducted advanced training classes at the Texas DPS Academy and made presentations for the Texas Division of the International Association for Identification and the Texas Rangers. Walter has traveled extensively across the state conducting training classes on AFIS and LiveScan. He has been accepted as an expert witness on fingerprint identification and comparison in State and Federal Court. Walter is the past-president of the Texas Division of the International Association for Identification and has chaired several committees for the TDIAI. He is also a member of the AFIS-Internet Organization. Water continues to teach and consult across Texas and other states.

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THIS COURSE IS APPROVED FOR 40 HOURS CREDIT BY THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT THROUGH THE HOST AGENCY.

REGISTRATION

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Fee \$695

**** \$795 after February 1, 2025 ****
No Refund on Early Registration. (substitutions are allowed)

TO REGISTER FOR THIS CLASS, FOLLOW THE 3 EASY STEPS LISTED BELOW.

STEP 1 - Identify Payment Method: Check Credit Card Cash PO#: _____

STEP 2 - Fill out the student registration information (one student per form please):

Student Name: _____ Texas PID#: _____

Agency: _____

Agency Address: _____

Student Phone: _____ Student Email: _____

Invoice Contact: _____

Invoice Phone: _____ Invoice Email: _____

STEP 3: Mail or Email this form to the address below:

EMAIL: register@txfact.com

MAIL: TxFAC, LLC
1020 East Lacy Street
Palestine, TX 75801

Make Checks Payable to:
TxFAC, LLC

No telephone registrations or payments are accepted.

PAYMENT

We gladly accept Visa, MasterCard, Discover, American Express, Department Purchase Orders, Checks and Cash. If paying by credit card, please check the above "Credit Card" box. We will email you an invoice with a secure link for payment. **DO NOT INCLUDE CREDIT CARD NUMBER ON THE REGISTRATION FORM**

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT & DRESS CODE

Each student will need to provide a fingerprint magnifier.

Standard handheld magnifying glasses are not suitable for this class.

Clothing appropriate for a law enforcement agency. No flip-flops, shorts, open-toed shoes or tank tops.

FOR INFORMATION: (903) 922-0057 OR RUDY@TXFACT.COM