

STATE OF OHIO (DAS) CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION	<b>CLASSIFICATION SERIES:</b> Latent Fingerprint Examiner	<b>SERIES NO.:</b> 8326
	<b>MAJOR AGENCIES:</b> Attorney General only	<b>EFFECT. DATE:</b> 01/01/1980

**SERIES PURPOSE:**

The purpose of the latent fingerprint examiner occupation is to examine &/or collect criminal evidence & compare to evidence of possible subjects, draw conclusions & prepare laboratory reports for presentation to police, prosecutors & court, conduct training sessions, research, develops &/or modify identification methods & advise management on technical matters.

**CLASS TITLE:**

Latent Fingerprint Examiner

**CLASS NUMBER:**

83261

**EFFECTIVE DATE:**

01/01/1980

**NEW EFFECTIVE DATE:**

07/01/1998

**CLASS CONCEPT:**

The full performance level class works under direction & requires through knowledge of Henry Classification System in order to examine physical evidence from crime scene & compare fingerprints, palmprints & footprints found with those of possible subjects, use chemical & physical techniques to develop latent fingerprints to visual prints, identify fingerprints & palmprints & receive, log & transport evidence.

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**JOB DUTIES IN ORDER OF IMPORTANCE: (THESE DUTIES ARE ILLUSTRATIVE ONLY. INCUMBENTS MAY PERFORM SOME OR ALL OF THESE DUTIES OR OTHER JOB-RELATED DUTIES AS ASSIGNED.)**

Examines physical evidence from crime scene & compares fingerprints, palmprints & footprints found with those of possible subjects, uses chemical & physical techniques to develop latent fingerprints to visual prints & identifies fingerprints & palmprints & receives, logs & transports evidence.

Draws conclusions, formulates opinions & prepares accurate laboratory reports concerning evidence examined for presentation to police, prosecutors & courts; photographs evidence & latent fingerprints; develops film, makes photographic prints & prepares charts & exhibits for court presentation of other laboratory sections; testifies in court.

Conducts formal (e.g., lectures at Peace Officers Training Academy) & informal training sessions & gives advice to other employees & law enforcement agencies in aspects of laboratory analyses, fingerprint identification techniques, court testimony & legal points; assists or directs investigators in collection of evidence; gives lectures to community groups; conducts special projects.

Researches & develops or modifies methods of identification; assists in preparing supply & equipment lists; makes inked impressions using parts of body (e.g., fingers, palms) for record cards & to identify unknown persons; rebuilds cadaver tissues; prepares chemicals, reagents & other processing materials; maintains equipment & work area.

**MAJOR WORKER CHARACTERISTICS:**

Knowledge of principles of Henry Classification System. Skill in use of optical comparator, magnifier, heat applicator, sprayer & fuming cabinets; use of Henry Classification System. Ability to define problems, collect data, establish facts & draw valid conclusions; deal with large number of variables to determine specific course of action, calculate fractions, decimals & percentages; check pairs of items that are similar or dissimilar; handle sensitive telephone & face-to-face inquiries & contacts with public & government officials; demonstrate dexterity; apply principles to solve practical every day problems, & deal with variety of variables in somewhat unfamiliar context; work alone on most tasks; public relations; use of photographic equipment; prepare meaningful & accurate reports, exhibits, & charts; prepare & deliver training information. (\*)Developed after employment.

**MINIMUM CLASS QUALIFICATIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT:**

12 months training &/or experience in principles & use of Henry Classification System to include use of latent fingerprint equipment (e.g., optical comparator, magnifiers, heat applicators, air sprayer, fuming cabinets); 1 month's training &/or experience in use of cameras & related photographic equipment; 1 course or 1 month training &/or experience in public speaking. -Or equivalent of Minimum Class Qualifications For Employment noted above.

**TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT REQUIRED TO REMAIN IN THE CLASSIFICATION AFTER EMPLOYMENT:**

Not applicable.

**UNUSUAL WORKING CONDITIONS:**

May be exposed to decomposed body extremities, decomposing tissues physiological fluids, caustic chemicals, explosives, firearms, drugs, powders, odors & contagious diseases; may require overnight travel.