

CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECKS REQUIRED FOR INITIAL LICENSURE

Section 4715.101 of the Ohio Revised Code requires all individuals applying for a license issued by the Ohio State Dental Board (board) to submit fingerprints for a criminal records check completed by the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (BCI&I) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

INSTRUCTIONS FOR OHIO RESIDENTS

Applicants residing in Ohio are required to utilize “WebCheck” to electronically submit their fingerprints to BCI&I. The Board will typically receive the results of a criminal records check submitted via “WebCheck” within 7 to 10 business days. In addition to the \$22 BCI&I fee and the \$24 FBI fee, the electronic fingerprinting location may charge its own fee to process the fingerprints. Since the law requires applications for licensure to submit a records check completed by both BCI&I and FBI, you **must** use the services of a “WebCheck” vendor that participates in the “National WebCheck.” The Sheriff’s offices in all 88 counties participate in the “National WebCheck.”

A list of other “WebCheck” vendors in Ohio, arranged by county, is available online at: <http://www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov/Services/Business/WebCheck/Webcheck-Community-Listing>. When locating an electronic fingerprinting site on this web page, please note that you **must** use the services of a vendor that has “BCI & FBI” listed after the vendor’s name as only these entities participate in “National WebCheck.”

You need both the BCI&I and FBI records check for initial licensure. By law, the board cannot complete the processing of your application until it receives the background check reports from both these entities.

Instructions for “WebCheck”

1. Identify a “WebCheck” vendor that participates in the “National WebCheck” and contact that location for specific instructions.
2. Submit the required fee directly to the “WebCheck” vendor. **Do NOT SEND YOUR FINGERPRINTS OR FEE TO THE BOARD.**
3. Request that the criminal records check results from both BCI&I and FBI be sent directly to:
Ohio State Dental Board
77 S High St., 18th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215-3135
4. List the reason for fingerprinting as: “Required for licensure per ORC 4715.101

INSTRUCTIONS FOR OUT-OF-STATE RESIDENTS

You must contact a local law enforcement agency to arrange for the required fingerprinting on two (2) fingerprint cards. This can only be accomplished by a law enforcement official who must sign and date the cards to verify the accuracy and

authenticity of the prints. Any processing fees required for this service should be paid directly to the involved agency.

Reminder: Fingerprints processed from out-of-state locations are processed much slower, up to 3 to 4 months, than electronic fingerprints taken within the State of Ohio. Additional delays can occur if the prints are unreadable or information is not complete. If time is extremely critical, you may want to consider submitting the prints electronically from an Ohio location. Should you choose to come to Ohio for your criminal records check, please see Instructions for Ohio Residents.

Instructions for completing the Fingerprint Card Process

1. Complete and send BOTH cards to BCI&I after you have been fingerprinted at a law enforcement agency.
2. Complete all the information above the solid blue lines in BLACK INK.
3. Write clearly, as unreadable cards will be rejected.
4. Do not alter the card or boxes.
5. For the FBI (applicant) card:
Race: W (White); B (Black); A (Asian); I (American Indian/Alaskan Native American); U (Unknown.)
Eyes: BLK (black); BLU (blue); BRO (brown); GRN (green); GRY (gray) or XXX (unknown.)
6. Make money order or cashier's check payable to Treasurer, State of Ohio. Submit \$22.00 for the Civilian Background Check and \$24.00 for the FBI Check for a total of \$46.00.

IMPORTANT: SEND BOTH CARDS AND FEES TO BCI7I, PO Box 365, 1560 STATE ROUTE 56 SW, LONDON, OHIO 43140 (740-845-2375.) DO NOT SEND CARDS AND FEES TO THE BOARD OFFICE.