

## How to imprint your fingerprints – *Pencil/Paper/Tape Method*

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### Materials needed:

1. A # 2 pencil or graphite and clear tape (**if your tape is too narrow to cover the full upper section of each finger tip/thumb, use clear packing tape**)
  2. A manila envelope to send the copies of your fingerprint sheet (pg. 2) **OR** a good quality scanner to send them as an e-mail attachment. Scan using these parameters: PDF or JPG, grayscale, 200 DPI.
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### Imprinting your **fingerprint patterns**:

\* **Step 1:** Use a #2 pencil (or graphite) to darken a portion of a piece of paper. Be generous with the pencil/graphite on the paper. Add more as you need it.

\* **Step 2:** Rub the **upper section of each finger** (there are 3 sections) across the graphite on the paper, making sure you have **covered the full upper section**. [See example below. Brackets indicate what section to cover.]



\***Step 3:** Place a piece of clear tape onto your darkened finger section; press gently capturing the entire pattern.

\* **Step 4:** Carefully remove the tape from the fingertip, and place the tape in the corresponding boxes on page 2. (Tape wide enough to cover the upper section.)

**Note:** The **pinkies** are the hardest to see...so make sure you are extra careful to get the full pattern. If you are not satisfied with the clarity of any finger, just keep making prints until the full pattern appears.

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Right Thumb	Right Index	Right Middle	Right Ring	Right Pinky
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