

Original Applicant Fingerprint & Photo Requirements

Original CHL applicants must continue to sign the photo holder and return it with two (2) passport photos; however, **signatures are no longer required on the back of the photos.**

All Original CHL applicants are required to submit fingerprints to TXDPS as part of the complete CHL application. As of March 1, 2011 only electronic fingerprints will be accepted.

CHL applicants can schedule an appointment with the state approved electronic fingerprint collection agency, L1. Electronic fingerprints have a 98% classifiability rate which results in fewer fingerprint quality rejections. L1 currently has fingerprint locations available across the state of Texas. During scheduling, the applicant will select the location, date and time that is most convenient to them. **Before CHL applicants can schedule an appointment with L1, TXDPS must be in receipt of a new CHL application.** Applicants who choose to submit an online web application can schedule their L1 appointment the same day they complete their online application. Applicants who choose to submit a paper application may still submit electronic fingerprints; however, they must wait to schedule their L1 appointment until after the application has been processed through the mail and they have received confirmation that the application has been entered into the CHL database. To eliminate processing time, TXDPS encourages all applicants to utilize the secure online application.

To schedule a fingerprint appointment* – go to www.L1enrollment.com to schedule an appointment at a convenient time and location. Alternatively, applicants may call L1 directly to make an appointment at **1-888-467-2080**.

The L1 fee is \$9.95. Electronic fingerprint services may be paid for online with a credit card. If paying at the L1 site, payment must be made by check or money order. The applicant's fingerprints will be digitally imaged and automatically sent to TXDPS electronically.

**note: CHL applicants must make an L1 appointment before L1 will collect their fingerprints. Applicants who show up at an L1 site without a fingerprint appointment will not be fingerprinted.*

Renewal

As of 2010, CHL renewal applicants are no longer required to submit new fingerprints or photos as part of their renewal application. CHL's can now resubmit good quality fingerprints and reuse previously submitted photos. However, TXDPS reserves the right to request replacement passport photos and fingerprints for renewing applicants, in the event that the previously submitted photos or fingerprints on file do not meet current quality standards. If previously submitted photos or fingerprints are found to be defective, the applicant will receive notification from TXDPS with instructions for resubmitting the defective items.