

FINGERPRINT INFORMATION

RE 237B (Rev. 6/24)

Fingerprint Requirement

One set of classifiable electronic fingerprints is required from every real estate license applicant.

One set of classifiable electronic fingerprints is also required by licensees who hold a restricted license and who are petitioning for removal of restrictions or by individuals who have had their real estate license revoked and are petitioning for reinstatement of their license.

The fingerprint process is completed by a live scan service provider on a Live Scan Request (RE 237) as noted below. You may obtain an RE 237 on the Department's Web site at www.dre.ca.gov or by contacting DRE's Licensing Section at 877-373-4542 or any DRE District Office.

Applicants have the option of getting their fingerprints taken either after passing their examination or after they have submitted their examination application. However, fingerprint processing fees are not refunded if an applicant fails to pass the examination.

Out-of-state residents either need to make arrangements to get their fingerprints taken at a live scan service provider in California or get fingerprinted out of state using the FBI Applicant Fingerprint Card (FD-258 Rev. 5/99). A fingerprint card can be obtained by contacting the Licensing Section at **877-373-4542**. It should be taken to a local law enforcement agency for completion and submitted directly to DRE with the completed exam/license application, exam/license application fee, and \$49 fingerprint processing fee.

Fingerprint fee

Applicants who *reside in California* will pay a \$49 fingerprint processing fee **directly to the live scan fingerprint service provider**. Applicants who *reside out of state* should submit the \$49 fingerprint processing fee with their application, fingerprint card, and license fee.

Applicants who wish to get their fingerprints taken out of state after submitting their examination application, but before passing their examination, may request a blank fingerprint card by contacting the Licensing Section at 877-373-4542.

Fingerprint Services (Contact the facility for fees & hours.)

Many California law enforcement agencies and other private providers provide electronic fingerprint services. You may obtain a complete list of fingerprint service providers by visiting the Department of Justice's Web site at www.ag.ca.gov. Please note that the hours of operation for each provider may vary and an appointment may be required.

You should be prepared to present a state or federal photo identification at the fingerprint site (i.e., driver's license, ID card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles, etc.).

Submission of Fingerprint Form

After you have your fingerprints taken by the live scan service provider, a completed copy of RE 237 must be submitted with your combination exam and license application, your original license application, or Petition Application (RE 506). If you choose to get your fingerprints taken before passing your examination, submit a completed copy of RE 237 to the Department of Real Estate, 651 Bannon Street, STE 503, Sacramento, CA 95811, Attn: Originals Section.

Fees

Processing fee — A fee will be collected by the live scan provider for the processing of your fingerprints by the Department of Justice and Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Service fee — A separate fee will be charged for the service of taking the electronic fingerprints by the live scan provider. That fee may vary depending on the live scan provider you choose.

Contact the live scan site to determine the acceptable type of payment and the processing and service fee amounts.
