

Polk County Sheriff's Office Job Description
2221 Latent Print Examiner II

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Position Concept:

The Latent Print Examiner II is responsible for the classification, filing, and searching of fingerprints. The member performs technical and operational duties and tasks specific to the position.

The most important and essential job function of the position is attitude which includes the following: interacting positively and cooperating with co-workers, responding politely to customers, working as a team member, functioning under intense time pressure and responding in a positive manner to supervision.

The Latent Print Examiner II may perform other related duties and tasks, as required and shall have the physical, mental and emotional abilities to perform the essential job duties of the position.

Essential Functions:

- Classify and file fingerprint cards
- Examine fingerprints
- Conduct latent print examinations
- Process unattached hands and fingers
- Process evidence for latent prints
- Conduct photography work
- Complete written reports
- Compile statistical reports
- Attend pre-trial conferences, depositions
- Testify in court as expert witness
- Assist in supervision of fingerprint work

Education, Professional Certification or License:

- Two year College Degree preferred
- Valid Florida driver's license
- Successful completion of Polk County Sheriff's Office Latent Print Examiner training Course or equivalent training
- Skills in developing and photographing identifiable latent prints on physical evidence, preparing reports and charted enlargements
- Must have testified in court as an expert witness in the field of fingerprints
- IAI Latent Print Examiner Certification required or obtain within one (1) year

Professional Experience:

- Minimum of five (5) years experience in classification and filing of inked prints in the Henry System and in processing of evidence
- Minimum two (2) years experience as a Latent Print Examiner I or equivalent experience

Status: Civilian Sworn Certified

Blood and Viral Pathogen Risk: Minimal Risk Foreseeable Risk

Environmental Conditions:

- Tolerate strong odors
- Works around chemicals
- Occasional work with detached human hands and or fingers
- Works various shifts

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Required Skills and Knowledge:

Knowledge of:

- PCSO policy and procedures
- Knowledge of Henry system
- Knowledge of *NCIC system
- Latent and inked examination procedures
- Photography
- Fingerprinting techniques
- Basic fingerprinting procedures
- Pattern interpretation
- Computer scanning programs
- Anatomy
- Safety requirements
- Crime scene photography and processing
- Crime scene processing procedures
- Court procedures
- Chart making
- Case legality
- Basic fingerprint science
- Various software

Ability to:

- Read and write English
- Alphabetize
- Operate office equipment
- Operate a motor vehicle
- Operate *AFIS equipment
- Operate computer software

Skills:

- Inked to inked examination
- Technical examinations
- Interpersonal
- Basic mathematical
- Computer
- Keyboarding
- Basic English grammar
- Report writing
- Photography
- Court presentation

Physical Requirements:

- Sit for long periods
- Stand for long periods
- See at normal range or with accommodations
- Hear at normal level or with accommodations
- Speak English understandably
- Manual dexterity
- Ambulate independently
- Bend/squat
- Walk
- Climb
- Sense of smell (normal)
- Recognize colors
- Lift 40 lbs.
- Tolerate strong odors

*NCIC: National Crime Information Center

*AFIS: Automated Fingerprint information System