



## Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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### Media Release

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**Re:** Fingerprinting Services - Available by Appointment

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Sheriff Al Nienhuis is pleased to announce that, effective today, fingerprinting services are once again available at the Hernando County Sheriff's Office, now featuring a new, more convenient scheduling system.

Currently, the service is available ONLY at the main office on Cortez Boulevard in Brooksville. When the service is again available at our District Two office, an update will be sent.

As always, fingerprinting services are provided at **no charge** at both locations.

In an effort to provide the most efficient service and eliminate lengthy wait times, we have implemented a scheduling system for fingerprinting services.

Persons who need fingerprint services should read the following BEFORE responding to either Sheriff's Office location to have the service completed:

- A valid Driver's License or Identification Card is required for ALL fingerprinting services. No exceptions.
- **Concealed Weapon Permit Fingerprints** – Please provide the fingerprint card from the CWP permit packet.
- **Seal/Expungement Court Requests** – Please provide the "Fingerprint for Application for Certification for Eligibility" form.
- **All Other Fingerprint Requests** except for Hernando County employment applicants – You are required to provide an Originating Agency Identification (ORI) Number. Contact your employer, or the entity requesting fingerprints, to obtain the ORI number.
- **Walk-Ins** – Persons who walk-in without an appointment will be scheduled by the receptionist for the next available time slot.

- **Court Mandated Registrations (Sexual Offenders, Sexual Predators, Felons) –** Persons who are attempting to schedule fingerprinting services for a court mandated registration and are unable to get an appointment in the timeframe within which they are required to register, should walk-in to the HCSO lobby and tell the receptionist they were unable to reserve an appointment time but are mandated by the court to register/be fingerprinted.

## **TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT FOR FINGERPRINTING SERVICES**

- Follow this link - <https://www.hernandosheriff.org/registrationguidelines.aspx> or go to the HCSO website
  - o [www.hernandosheriff.org](http://www.hernandosheriff.org)
  - o Click on **Citizen Resources**
  - o Drag the mouse to, and click on, **Fingerprint & Registration Guidelines**
  - o **Please note** – there are two fingerprint schedulers (be sure to select the appropriate one)
    - **HCSO Fingerprint Scheduler**
    - **Felon / Sex Offender Registration Services.**

If there are any questions about the scheduling application, please contact Jacob Silfies at 352-797-3796.

When fingerprinting services are available at our District Two office, an additional calendar will be added, specific to that location.

### **FDLE Background Checks**

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) does charge to conduct the background check. Please refer to FDLE's fee schedule for additional information:

[http://www.fdle.state.fl.us/Criminal-History-Records/Documents/Criminal-History-Fee-Chart\\_January2019.aspx](http://www.fdle.state.fl.us/Criminal-History-Records/Documents/Criminal-History-Fee-Chart_January2019.aspx)

### **The Office of Sheriff:**

**The Office of the Sheriff is established by the Florida Constitution. As a constitutional officer, the Sheriff has the exclusive authority to administer his or her agency and is responsible for preserving the peace throughout the entire county, carrying out the laws of the state, the orders of Florida courts, and the ordinances of the Board of County Commissioners. The Sheriff is the chief law enforcement and correctional officer of the county.**

**Sheriff Al Nienhuis was initially appointed as the Sheriff of Hernando County by the Governor in January of 2011. He was then elected by the people of Hernando County in 2012, ran unopposed in 2016, and remains accountable to them.**