

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY CRIME RECORDS SERVICE Access & Dissemination Bureau



PROCEDURE TO ACCESS CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION (CHRI) FOR PERSON(S) SEEKING TO ADOPT A CHILD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES (DOMESTIC ADOPTION)

In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 411.128, a person seeking to adopt a child under Chapter 162, Family Code, who is ordered by the court to obtain the person's own criminal history record information (CHRI) from the Department of Public Safety under Section 162.0085 Family Code, shall request the information as provided by that section.

FINGERPRINTS SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY TO DPS: The DPS has entered into an exclusive contract with MorphoTrust USA to provide statewide electronic fingerprinting through DPS FAST locations operated by IdentoGO. Fingerprint Applicant Services of Texas (FAST) are available by scheduling an appointment on-line at https://uenroll.identogo.com/servicecode/11BRXN or by calling 1-888-467-2080. DPS FAST locations operated by IdentoGO are committed to a 98% classifiable rate which means quality prints, less rejections, and quick responses. The cost of this service is \$10.00 plus a \$15.00 fee for the CHRI. The results will be mailed to the address provided by the individual. If an additional copy of the CHRI is needed, contact the Criminal History Inquiry Unit at (512) 424-5079 Option 4.

1. SCHEDULING YOUR FINGERPRINT APPOINTMENT:

Fingerprint Applicant Services of Texas (FAST) are available by scheduling an appointment on-line at https://uenroll.identogo.com/servicecode/11BRXN or by calling 1-888-467-2080.

When Scheduling Online:

- a) Select Schedule Appointment.
- b) Enter the **Designated Recipient's Information**. If results are to be sent directly to the court please list the name of the court and cause number in the Designated Recipient field.
- c) Follow the prompts to enter requested information.

When Scheduling Over The Phone:

- a) Have the Texas Fingerprint Service Code form before calling.
- b) MorphoTrust will prompt you for the service code.
- c) The service code for a personal review is **11BRXN**
- d) The call center operator will ask you for your demographic information, i.e. Date of Birth, Sex, Race, Ethnicity, Height, Weight, Eye Color, Hair Color, Place of Birth and Home Address.
- e) You will select a location nearest to you for your fingerprint appointment.
- f) Once you have scheduled your appointment you are not required to bring the service code form to your appointment.

2. YOUR FINGERPRINT APPOINTMENT:

- a) Arrive at your scheduled appointment with your photo identification and fee payment
- b) If you plan on bringing a form of identification other than a valid (unexpired) TX Driver License, please refer to the Department of Public Safety's acceptable document types here: http://www.llenrollment.com/state/forms/tx/55fc619a7f7aa.doc
- c) MorphoTrust accepts Visa/MasterCard/Discover/American Express, business checks, money orders and coupon codes (employer accounts) at the time of service.

*Please note that personal checks and cash will not be accepted.

- d) Your fingerprints will be submitted electronically to DPS and the FBI. You will not receive a printed fingerprint card.
- e) At the conclusion of your appointment, the MorphoTrust enrollment agent will provide you with an IdentoGo receipt stating that you were fingerprinted.
 - a. Do not throw away the receipt
 - b. You may check status on your submission by clicking on this link: https://uenroll.identogo.com/servicecode/11BRXN

Fingerprints provided for this application shall be used to check criminal history records of the Texas Department of Public Safety and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in accordance with applicable statutes.

FINGERPRINTS SUBMITTED BY MAIL THROUGH MORPHOTRUST: The following process must be followed to submit fingerprint hard cards to MorphoTrust. The results will be mailed to the designated recipient provided by the individual. If you have any questions, please call (512) 424-5079.

3. PRE-ENROLL YOUR FINGERPRINT SUBMISSION:

Online Registration:

- a) You may begin the process now by clicking on this link: https://uenroll.identogo.com/servicecode/11BRXN
- b) Choose "Schedule an Appointment"
- c) Select "Pay for Ink Card Submission" button and complete all required fields on the following page
- d) Complete payment screen
- e) Print the confirmation document containing a bar code
- f) Sign the waiver and fill in contact information
- g) Once you have obtained your fingerprint cards, follow mail-in directions on the confirmation document.

Telephone Registration:

- a) You may contact MorphoTrust at 888.467.2080
- b) Please have the TX Fingerprint Service Code form before you call –MorhphoTrust will prompt you for the Service Code
- c) The service code for a personal review is 11BRXN
- d) Inform the MorhpoTrust representative that you wish to pre-enroll for a "hard card submission"

- e) Once payment is complete a summary confirmation document will be emailed to you
- f) Print the confirmation document, sign the waiver and fill in the contact information
- g) Once you have obtained your fingerprint cards, follow mail-in directions on the confirmation page.

PAY BY CREDIT CARD, BUSINESS CHECK OR MONEY ORDER:

During your registration you will be provided an opportunity to make your payment by credit card or to
elect to mail in the \$25.00 by business check or money order made out to MorphoTrust USA with your
submission.

* No Personal Checks will be accepted

4. COMPLETE THE FINGERPRINT CARD:

Following information regarding person whose record is to be searched, must be completed on the fingerprint card:

- a) Printed last name, first name, middle name of individual, including all alias names.
- b) Sex, race, date of birth, Social Security Number.
- c) Complete, legible set of fingerprints on a DPS approved fingerprint card which may be obtained from a law enforcement agency or FAST provider near you. Visit https://uenroll.identogo.com/servicecode/11BRXN or call 1-888-467-2080 to locate a FAST provider near you. Individual's signature must be on the fingerprint card.

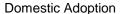
The cost for obtaining an ink card may vary and is not included in the Texas Background check fingerprint registration process or fee. Cards <u>must</u> be mailed to the vendor, fingerprints cannot be submitted electronically from outside the State of Texas.

5. SUBMISSION:

Mail the completed Personal Review Service Code Form, completed fingerprint card and payment (if applicable) to:

MorphoTrust USA Texas Card Scan 3051 Hollis Dr, Ste 310 Springfield, IL 62704

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Service Name: DOMESTIC ADOPTION

To schedule your ten-minute fingerprint appointment, simply visit https://uenroll.identogo.com and enter the following Service Code

11BRXN

Background Check Waiver

I certify that all information I provided in relation to this criminal history record check is true and accurate. I authorize the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) to access Texas and Federal criminal history record information that pertains to me and disseminate that information to the designated Authorized Agency or Qualified Entity with which I am or am seeking to be employed or to serve as a volunteer, through the DPS Fingerprint-based Applicant Clearinghouse of Texas and as authorized by Texas Government Code Chapter 411 and any other applicable state or federal statute or policy.

I authorize the Texas Department of Public Safety to submit my fingerprints and other application information to the FBI for the purpose of comparing the submitted information to available records in order to identify other information that may be pertinent to the application. I authorize the FBI to disclose potentially pertinent information to the DPS during the processing of this application and for as long hereafter as may be relevant to the activity for which this application is being submitted. I understand that the FBI may also retain my fingerprints and other applicant information in the FBI's permanent collection of fingerprints and related information, where all such data will be subject to comparisons against other submissions received by the FBI and to further disseminations by the FBI as may be authorized under the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 USC 552a). I understand my fingerprints will be searched by and against civil, criminal and latent fingerprints in the Next Generation Identification (NGI) system. I understand I am entitled to obtain a copy of any criminal history record check and challenge the accuracy and completeness of the information before a final determination is made by the Qualified Entity. I also understand the Qualified Entity may deny me access to children, the elderly,

or individuals with disabilities until the criminal history record check is completed. If a need arises to challenge the FBI record response, you may contact the agency that submitted the information to the FBI, or you may send a written challenge request to the FBI's Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division at FBI CJIS Division, Attention: Correspondence Group, 1000 Custer Hollow Road, Clarksburg, WV 26306.

