

Dearborn police to discontinue offering fingerprinting services to citizens for concealed weapons permit applications

Due to new requirements from the State of Michigan, effective October 1 the Dearborn Police Department will no longer offer fingerprinting services for citizens seeking to submit applications for permits to carry concealed weapons (CCW).

The change is due to the State of Michigan's decision to require that all fingerprints taken for CCW applications must be taken via electronic scanning, and not with the older "ink and paper" method that many citizens are familiar with.

The Dearborn Police Department has an electronic fingerprint scanning computer, but it is located in an area that is not accessible by the public.

"We regret that we can't offer this service to our citizens any longer, but it's a safety issue," explained Chief of Police Michael Celeski. "Our fingerprint scanner is located in a secure area where people who have been arrested are being booked, and where prisoners are being taken to court. It's not a place where we would want to bring members of the general public."

Citizens who need their fingerprints taken for CCW applications can call **866.226.2952** for information on alternate locations for fingerprinting services.

Citizens will still be able pick up CCW application packets at Dearborn Police Headquarters, 16099 Michigan Avenue.

The Dearborn Police Department will continue to offer ink-and-paper fingerprinting services for certain non-CCW applications, including: liquor licenses, housing commission, personal record checks, visa/immigration, adoptions, name changes, set aside applications and record challenges.

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