

Recording Known Finger and Palm Prints Cheat Sheet

Maine State Police Crime Laboratory – Latent Print Section

Supplies:

- Black fingerprint powder
- Fingerprint brush
- Fingerprint tape
- White paper
- Pen or sharpie

Steps:

1. Lightly dust black fingerprint powder onto the individual's fingers and palms, making sure to get the sides.
2. Using strips of fingerprint tape, lift the powder from their hands and place on a white sheet of paper.
3. Mark the lifts indicating which finger or palm that lift was taken from.
4. Label the sheet of paper:
 - a. Individual's name and DOB
 - b. Case number
 - c. Evidence item number
 - d. Your name
 - e. Date impressions were taken
5. Package in an envelope and submit to the lab.