

# From the Bureau of Fire Standards and Training

## Digital Fingerprints Available via PearsonVue.com Effective Date – 6/24/08

Florida Firefighter II, Retention, Firesafety and Special Firesafety Inspector application requirements just became a bit easier to submit and faster to approve. The reason is the availability of digital fingerprinting through our testing partner PearsonVue in cooperation with IBT. With this service, applicants, after submitting their application on-line (Retention, Firesafety and Special Firesafety Inspectors) or submitted by their Training Center (Firefighter II) can have their fingerprints digitally taken and electronically transmitted with results being delivered to the Bureau of Fire Standards and Training in hours instead of days.

No more waiting for a fingerprint card in the mail, going to have your prints taken, going on-line to pay for them, sending them in along with a confirmation of payment number and then waiting a week or two for processing and results to be received. The old eight step fingerprint process procedure is now four phases.

**Phase I** – Complete your certification application on-line at [www.floridastatefirecollege.org](http://www.floridastatefirecollege.org).

**Phase II** – Acquire your fingerprint user identification and password.

- Go to [www.Pearsonvue.com](http://www.Pearsonvue.com) select the **Digital Fingerprinting** picture
- Select **Florida Applicant Fingerprinting Services**, then select **Go**
- Select **Make Your Fingerprint Reservation Online**, then select **create a new account**
- Provide the required information - Business info not required.
- Select **Save**. You will receive a user identification & password.
- *Note your ID and password* then select **Continue**

**Phase III** – To schedule to have your fingerprints taken:

At the “Test Taker Page” under “My Tasks”, select **Schedule a Test**

From the “Select a Test” list, select **Florida Fingerprinting**

From the “Program list”, select **Florida State Fire Marshal Fingerprinting**

Select **Continue**. Complete the required fields then select **Continue**.

From the “State, City” list, select the best city for you.

From the “Center/Name Address” list select **Fingerprint Only**

Select **Continue** and follow the directions on screen to completion.

**Phase IV** – Go to the PearsonVue site you selected on your selected date and time and have your fingerprints taken.

Your fingerprints will be sent electronically from PearsonVue to the FBI and FDLE. The results will be sent directly to the Bureau of Fire Standards and Training, normally within 24hrs.

