

**REVISED RULES FOR THE CONSTITUTION OF  
'ALL INDIA BOARD FOR THE EXAMINATION OF FINGER PRINT EXPERTS-2015'**

**5. Qualifications of the Candidates:**

(i) The candidates working in the FPBx in the States and Union Territories and Central Finger Print Bureau/FSLs as technical hands who have 3 years experience in finger print work, including training on 20th December of the year of examination are eligible to appear in the Examination.

(ii) A candidate should have the minimum educational qualification of graduation from a recognized University by the time of the submission of his nomination by his competent authority like Director of the State FPBx/FSL/CFPB/S.P. etc.

**Note :** However, personnel already working in the State FPBx and CFPB prior to 23.09.1978 will be eligible to appear in the Examination irrespective of their educational qualifications, if so recommended by State Governments and Central Govt. respectively as amended vide MHA No. X/14(81)/78-C7(A)/GPA-I dated 01.03.1983.

(iii) A Science Graduate who has completed three years practical experience in Finger Print work under a qualified Finger Print Expert in an Forensic Institution including three months practical training at the Central Finger Print Bureau prior to the first December of the years of the examination, is also eligible for appearing in the All India Board Examination for Finger Print Experts. (Amended vide MHA letter no. X/3/73-G7(A)/CBI/GPA.-1 dt. 30.04.74).

(iv) No personnel of a FP Bureau (State or Central) or of any Forensic Science Institution or U.T. recruited after 23.09.78 will be treated as a Finger Print Expert until he has passed the All India Board Examination for Finger Print Experts.

**Notes to Clause 5(iii)**

(a) "Finger Print Expert" in this clause means a person who has passed the All India Board Examination conducted by the CFPB (or who has got the Expert's Certificate from the State prior to 01.01.1958) and is engaged in the profession in any Central/State Govt. Institution.

(b) "Forensic Science Institution" means any Central or State Government Institution dealing with Forensic Science including Finger Prints.

6. **Subjects of Examination** : The examination will be divided into three parts as detailed below. Question papers will be set by two members of the Board with the concurrence of the Chairman.

(a) **Theoretical Written Examination:**

History of Finger Print Science and its development; Theory of the science of Finger Print Identification; taking of finger prints of living persons and dead bodies; classification and sub-classification systems for recording finger print slips and for conducting search; method of comparison of papillary ridge prints; *Single Digit Classification* and its usefulness; Application of F.P. Science in detection of crime; Applications of Law of Probability to F.P. Sciences; Law relating to F.P. Evidence and taking finger prints; computerisation of 10 digit finger prints, and other laws; and relevant topics on the subject.

*Marks 100*

(b) **Practical Examination** :

Taking of finger prints; Development of latent prints; lifting of Latent Prints and packing of exhibits; Comparison of partial blurred prints on document and comparison of latent prints, Classification of 10 single digit prints. Codification of F.P. patterns according to 40 digit F.P. Code.

Marks 100

(c) **Viva-Voce Examination** :

The candidates will be examined to determine depth of their knowledge on the subject. They should be prepared for examination and cross examination as done in courts. Relevant oral questions will be put on mock trial basis.

Marks 50

7. (i) **Marks required to pass the Examination** :

In order to pass the examination, a candidate must obtain the minimum marks in the three subjects as detailed below :

- (a) Written Examination ..... 60%
- (b) Practical ..... 75%
- (c) Oral .....60%

(ii) A candidate will be considered to have passed only if he passed in all three portions of the Examination viz., written practical and oral.

The candidate must attempt all three portions of the examination on the first attempt. He/She must however pass at both written and practical portions before he/she passes at the oral exam. A candidate who does not pass in either written or practical examinations may attempt the one at which he/she has failed, the next year.