

# AMERITEK ID

## FINGERPRINT QUALITY REFERENCE GUIDE

The condition or “quality” of an individual’s fingerprints will determine whether or not they can be read for the purposes of a Live Scan criminal background check by the DOJ and FBI. Fingerprint ridges can be flattened out by wear, dryness or a medical condition which would make them impossible to read. In a case where an Applicant’s fingerprints can not be read and are rejected by the DOJ and/or FBI, the Applicant will receive notice to have their fingerprints taken again. By law there is no charge for a fingerprint record resubmission. The following are three examples of fingerprint quality.



**Poor quality or “low resolution” fingerprint**

*This print will not be accepted*



**Average quality/resolution fingerprint**

*This print is acceptable*



**Excellent quality or “high resolution” fingerprint**

*This print is acceptable*