

Exam Blueprint – Certified Latent Print Examiner (LPE)

Below is the exam blueprint based off the job task analysis, SME, and ISP psychometric process to verify reliability, validity, and fairness. The tables below identify the proportion of questions from each domain and passing score that will appear on the assessment. The assessment will include the application of concepts, knowledge and comprehension, definitions, synthesis, evaluation, development of conclusions, ideas and recommendations for action based on hypothetical situations.

Domain	Percentage of Items on Test	% of exam questions	Number of Questions (100)
Anatomy	24	24	24
Classification	24	24	24
Methods of Examination	24	24	24
Analysis	24	24	24
Comparison, Evaluation and Verification	4	4	4
	Passing %: 80	Passing Score: 80	100%

Anatomy

Domain Task	Percentage
1.	Evaluate the timeline of fingerprint development
2.	Analyze Skin Layers
3.	Identifies Skin Function
4.	Breakdown Skin Structures

Classification

Domain	Percentage
1.	Distinguish Loops
2.	Distinguish Arches
3.	Distinguish Whorls
4.	Applies Definitions

Methods of Examination

Domain	Percentage
1.	Compute Quantitative Methodology
2.	Compute Qualitative Methodology
3.	Applies Scientific Reasoning
4.	Definitions

Analysis

Domain	Percentage
1.	Critiques Levels of Detail
2.	Explain Factors affecting deposition and recovery
3.	Evaluate Definitions

Comparison, Evaluation and Verification

Domain	Percentage
1.	Process Pattern Matching

Sample Multiple Choice Test Questions

Sample Questions

- 1) Bridges between primary and secondary ridges are known as _____.
 - a. blastocysts
 - b. hemidesmosomes
 - c. anastomoses
 - d. keratinocytes
 - e. **desmosomes**

- 2) In the NCIC classification system ___ is added to the ridge count of a radial loop.
- a. 5
 - b. 15
 - c. **50**
 - d. 40
 - e. 30
- 3) Which is NOT another name for the Scientific Method?
- a. Hypethetico-Deductive Method
 - b. **Subjective Probability**
 - c. Hypothesis Testing
 - d. Research Methodology
 - e. Quantiative Methodology
- 4) Level 2 detail refers to the paths of the individual ridges and the events that interrupt their _____.
- a. cores
 - b. deltas
 - c. **continuity**
 - d. recurve
 - e. focal points
- 5) Which 10 Print Card and Finger does Latent 1 Match? (e.g. Z9 = Card Z, Finger #9)
- a. **B6**