

## **Georgia Applicant Processing System (GAPS)**

All persons applying with the Georgia Department of Driver Services (DDS) to become certified in any of the regulated program areas listed below must use the **Georgia Applicant Processing System (GAPS)** to satisfy the statutorily required national and state fingerprint-based criminal history check.

- **Driver Training School Owners/Directors/Instructors**
- **Driver Improvement School Owners/Instructors**
- **DUI/Risk Reduction School Owners/Directors/Instructors**
- **Third Party Testers/Examiners**
- **Ignition Interlock Provider Center Owners**
- **For-Hire Driver Endorsement**
- **Commercial Vehicle Driver Training School Owner/Instructor/Tester/Examiner**

**NOTE: Fingerprint standards set forth by the Georgia Crime Information Center (GCIC) and the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) prevent DDS from downloading fingerprint results until a certification application is submitted. In addition, fingerprint results are only available to DDS for download for 30 days. **THEREFORE, you should not start this fingerprinting process until you have submitted a certification application to DDS.** If you have been fingerprinted through GAPS for any DDS regulated program within the past 6 months, your fingerprint results may be used for any additional application(s) submitted for DDS regulated programs during that 6-month period. Please indicate on your application the date you were previously fingerprinted.**

There are several locations throughout the State of Georgia that have been authorized by the NCIC, the GCIC and Gemalto Systems to use LiveScan devices to electronically capture and transmit fingerprints to the GCIC through a secure web-based environment. Criminal history search results, in most cases, will return within 24 to 48 hours following submission of fingerprints, decreasing the overall amount of time it takes for DDS to process your application for certification. Fingerprint results obtained from any source other than the approved GAPS process will not be accepted.

Out-of-state applicants may choose to submit fingerprint cards for an additional charge of \$8. Registration is still required through the GAPS website. Please review the "How to Submit Ink Cards" section on the GAPS Home page for detailed instructions.

Additional information regarding the GAPS process, policies, fees, and print locations may be found at <https://www.aps.gemalto.com>.

### **FINGERPRINT INSTRUCTIONS**

#### **Step 1: Select the GAPS location of your choice.**

- Go to the following website: <https://www.aps.gemalto.com/ga/index.htm>
- Click on the "Find A Fingerprint Location" option.
- All authorized GAPS locations are depicted on an interactive map of Georgia. You may click on any location depicted on the map to obtain more detailed information about individual GAPS sites, including the name of the participating business, address, and telephone number. You may also use the Google Map feature which will show sites located near your current location and provide directions.

## Step 2: Register.

- From the GAPS Georgia Home page, click on the "Applicant Registration" option. This will take you to a page with a listing of multiple agencies.
- Click on the "Department of Driver Services (DDS)" button. You will be taken to the DDS landing page with our contact information. Click on the "Register to be Fingerprinted" button.
- Read the Privacy Rights and click the box to accept the terms. Click "Continue."
- Select your Reason Code from the dropdown box (CDL and Motorcycle Safety Coaches should use the DT reason codes). Complete the web form with your personal data and payment information. You must pay by money order or credit card. Mandatory fields are highlighted in yellow.
- Please be advised that although the use of your Social Security Number is optional, if you do not submit your SSN, the GAPS location will not be able to confirm your registration if you forget to bring your confirmation receipt. In addition, you will not be able to print a replacement receipt. Therefore, you are strongly encouraged to use your Social Security Number.
- Money orders must be made payable to "Gemalto Cogent, Inc." and should be taken to the GAPS location.
- Fingerprinting fees for all DDS regulated programs are \$49.25. A link for the fees can be found under the "Fees" section at the bottom of the GAPS Georgia Home page. **Cash and checks are not accepted.**
- Once all information has been entered, click "Continue." Review your information and if everything is okay, click "Submit."

## Step 3: Print your Receipt.

- A screen appears prompting you to either print your registration receipt or email it.
- If you lose your registration receipt, you can obtain a replacement under the "Reprint Registration Receipt" section located on the GAPS Georgia Home page.

## Step 4: Go to the GAPS location as scheduled to be fingerprinted.

- On the date of your fingerprinting, be sure to call ahead to the GAPS location you plan to visit to confirm their business hours, the hours they do fingerprinting, and that a trained individual is going to be available.
- Be sure to review the FAQ section on the GAPS Georgia Home page for information regarding what forms of identity are required for you to be fingerprinted.