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FORENSIC SERVICES LABORATORY CUSTOMER SERVICE NOTICE 2025-02 June 10, 2025

ANALYSIS OF TOUCH DNA EVIDENCE FROM WEAPON OFFENSE OR FELON IN POSSESSION CASES

Effective June 10, 2025, the SLED DNA Casework Department will no longer analyze evidence for Touch DNA in Weapon Offense or Felon in Possession cases without known DNA comparison standards. DNA profiles developed from these cases are not eligible for entry into the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) per the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Laboratory National DNA Index System (NDIS) Operational Procedures Manual and will not provide investigative information without the comparison to known DNA standards.

Weapon Offense or Felon in Possession cases currently at the laboratory with only Touch DNA requests and no known DNA standards for comparison will be returned to the submitting agency without analysis. This Policy does not prohibit the submission of a weapon for IBIS entry or collection of this type of evidence; however, any exception to this Policy for the analysis of Touch DNA will require advanced communication and authorization prior to submission.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation with this notice. Should you have any questions or need further clarification, please contact Lt. Donna Money at (803) 896-4407 or sleddna@sled.sc.gov.



