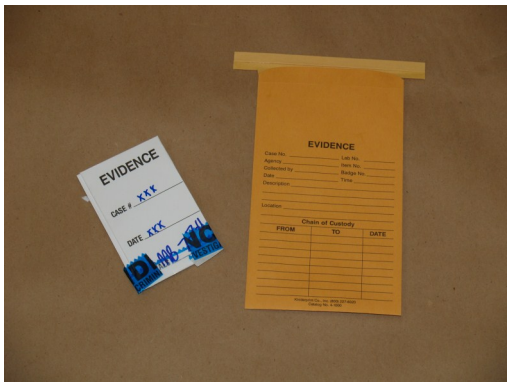
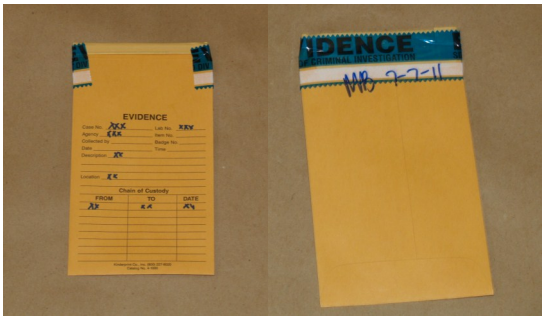
STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA FORENSIC LAB

PAINT CHIPS

Place paint chip in a paper bindle.



Fold bindle and secure with evidence tape.



Place bindle in envelope. Seal with evidence tape.

Don'ts

- Don't use adhesive tape to collect evidence.
- Don't store unkown sample and known sample in the same envelope.

- Collect all unknown paint samples. If possible, collect samples from the known for comparison.
- Known sample should be about 1/2 sq. inch and contain all layers.
- Clothing containing paint chips should be wrapped in paper to protect against loss of paint and packaged as described under clothing.
- When collecting paint from large items, attempt to flake or scrape in a manner that obtains and preserves as many paint layers as possible.