Administrative Functions Disposal Authority

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A disposal authority for administrative functions linked to Keyword AAA modified for Commonwealth use



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INTRODUCTION

The Administrative Functions Disposal Authority is one of a suite of National Archives products to be released in 2000 which support a new approach to Commonwealth recordkeeping. It authorises the disposal of records, in whatever format, relating to common administrative functions carried out by most Commonwealth agencies. The Authority is issued in accordance with Section 24 of the *Archives Act 1983*.

The Authority has been developed using the methodologies of the Australian Standard AS 4390–1996, *Records Management*, and its functional structure is based on the business classification scheme of the *Keyword AAA: A Thesaurus of General Terms* produced by the State Records Authority of NSW. In 1999 the Office for Government Online and the National Archives of Australia purchased a whole-of-government licence for the Thesaurus for free distribution to all Commonwealth agencies. The relationship between the Thesaurus and the Authority is explained in this introduction.

There have been some modifications to the business classification scheme to suit the Commonwealth environment. Activities have been added and some scope notes varied. The updated business classification scheme is presented at the end of this introduction. A Commonwealth Modified Version of the Keyword AAA Thesaurus will be available on disk for agency use in 2000.

NEW DIRECTIONS IN COMMONWEALTH RECORDKEEPING

AS 4390 was released in 1996 and has been endorsed by the National Archives for Commonwealth use. It promotes consistent and coherent management of records and sets out strategies, procedures and practices to ensure that records which provide evidence of business, legal and fiscal activities are captured and managed in an efficient and accountable manner.

The Archives has produced policies, products, guidelines and standards based on AS 4390 to assist agencies to implement the new recordkeeping strategies. These include *Designing and Implementing Recordkeeping Systems: Manual for Commonwealth Agencies (DIRKS)* and the *Appraisal Guidelines for Commonwealth Records*. Further details can be found on the National Archives website at www.naa.gov.au

COMMONWEALTH RECORDS AND THE LAW

While AS 4390 provides strategic directions for the new focus in Commonwealth recordkeeping, the *Archives Act 1983* and other key pieces of legislation provide a legal framework for consistent and accountable recordkeeping practices.

The *Archives Act 1983* applies to all records owned by the Commonwealth. Commonwealth records are defined in Section 3 of the Archives Act as being 'records which are the property of the Commonwealth or a Commonwealth institution'. Records are created and kept as evidence of agencies' functions, activities and

transactions and can be stored and managed in any format (eg paper, video, microfilm, on computer).

Under Section 24 (2) of the Archives Act it is illegal to destroy, transfer, damage or alter a Commonwealth record unless:

- such action is required by law,
- authorisation has been given by the Archives (ie through a disposal authority), or
- such action is a 'normal administrative practice' not disapproved by the Archives. (See page 20 for more information.)

This Authority is issued in accordance with the second of these requirements. The Archives Act also grants a right of free public access to records which survive for more than 30 years. Some records may be withheld if they contain material that is still sensitive.

As well as the Archives Act, other general legislation such as the *Privacy Act 1988* and the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* also apply to keeping and using Commonwealth records.

The *Privacy Act 1988* protects the rights of individuals as they relate to the collection, storage, use and disclosure of personal information. The central mechanism for ensuring this protection is the Information Privacy Principles. In summary these Principles require that only necessary information is collected and that the information is accurate, relevant, up-to-date, complete and not misleading. Personal information is to be used only for lawful purposes directly related to the functions or activities of agencies, and must be protected from unauthorised use or disclosure. The Act also provides rights of access and alteration for individuals in relation to their own information.

The *Freedom of Information Act 1982* provides a right of public access to and correction of Commonwealth records. The Act sets out procedures and principles controlling the granting of this access. It states when and how records may be made available, corrected, updated or annotated. If a request for access under the FOI Act has been lodged, all files relevant to the request must be identified and preserved until action on the request, and on any subsequent reviews, is completed.

PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS DISPOSAL AUTHORITY

Purpose

This Authority allows the disposal of Commonwealth records as required by Section 24 of the *Archives Act 1983* and is issued for use across the Commonwealth.

It also authorises the amendment and alteration of records more than 25 years old as required by Section 26 of the *Archives Act 1983* for master control records and Personal case records in the Personnel, Compensation and Occupational Health and Safety functions.

Coverage

This Authority covers the records relating to the administrative functions performed by the Commonwealth and its agencies. It applies to Central or National Offices, State/Territory or Branch Offices, Local Offices and Overseas Posts. It applies to all records created since Federation, regardless of format.

It covers the following 17 common administrative functions based on the *Keyword AAA* business classification scheme:

Function name		
Community Relations		
Compensation		
Equipment & Stores		
Establishment		
Financial Management		
Fleet Management		
Government Relations		
Industrial Relations		
Information Management		
Legal Services		
Occupational Health & Safety (OH&S)		
Personnel		
Property Management		
Publication		
Staff Development		
Strategic Management		
Technology & Telecommunications		

More information on the 17 administrative functions and the activities which relate to them is provided in the section on the Business Classification Scheme (see pages 23 – 32).

Exclusions

Pre-Federation records are not covered by this Authority. The National Archives should be contacted if agency holdings include such records.

This Authority is not to be used for any records which document the Defence military combat function, or the management of Defence military personnel. This includes the functions of Compensation, Equipment and Stores, Fleet Management and Personnel.

The legislation for each function covers all Commonwealth agencies (including business enterprises) except for the Personnel and Establishment functions for agencies which employ staff under their own enabling legislation. Such agencies can use the Authority in limited circumstances and details of strategies that can be employed are mentioned later in this Introduction.

Methodology

The Authority was produced after a detailed analysis of each administrative function carried out in the Commonwealth. This included examining relevant legislation, regulations and directives from agencies which have 'lead agency' responsibilities for administering functions across portfolios. Consultations with stakeholders assisted in identifying recordkeeping requirements and risk analysis was used to assess how long the records should be retained. A set of Recordkeeping Guidelines summarising these investigations and associated recordkeeping requirements will be produced during 2000.

The appraisal also identified which records should be retained as national archives based on the objectives and criteria set out in *Why Records Are Kept: Directions in Appraisal* available on the National Archives website at www.naa.gov.au

Some activities covered in this Authority will occasionally be part of an agency's core functions. For example, 'Conservation' and 'Exhibitions' that are attached to the 'Community Relations' function also relate to the specific functions of such agencies as the National Gallery, the National Library and the National Archives. In these circumstances agencies should use a functional term that describes their own administrative responsibility rather than the Authority's functional term 'Community Relations'.

Occasionally an agency may employ a different administrative functional term from that used in *Keyword AAA*, eg Workplace Relations instead of Industrial Relations. In such instances if the scope of the functions is the same an agency may substitute the more familiar term.

Replacement of existing disposal coverage

This Authority replaces a number of General Disposal Authorities (GDAs) and Schedules, as indicated in the following table.

AUTHORITY/ SCHEDULE	RECORDS COVERED	DATE ISSUED
GDS 12/12A	Finance and Accounting Records	23 June 1988
GDA 13	Accommodation, Property & Works Records	21 December 1989
GDA 14	General Administrative Records	18 October 1990
GDA 15	Tender & Contract Records	18 October 1990
GDA 16	Asbestos Related Records	18 October 1990
GDA 17	Staff & Establishment Records	10 February 1992
GDA 18	State / Regional Offices and Overseas Posts of Departments and Authorities	22 December 1993
GDA 20	Records Relating to Third Level Agencies: Offices Controlled by State or Regional Offices	29 March 1996

This Authority also replaces all entries in agency Records Disposal Authorities (RDAs) which cover records of an administrative nature. If there is uncertainty about which classes this directive may relate to in an agency's RDA, contact the Archives for further advice.

Records already sentenced using replaced GDAs

After February 2000, sentencing activities undertaken by an agency must not use any of the GDAs listed under *Replacement of Existing Disposal Coverage*.

If records have been already sentenced for destruction before the issue of this Authority, the sentences may remain and agencies need not resentence those records. However, all records held by the agency which are sentenced for 'Permanent Retention' and records required to be kept for over 30 years (ie Personal history files, compensation case files, etc) must be resentenced using the new Authority.

Other GDAs

A number of GDAs remain current and can still be used, as indicated in the following table:

AUTHORITY	RECORDS COVERED
GDA 21	Records relating to the intelligence function in any Commonwealth agency
GDA 22	Records of short term value that have been copied
GDA 23	Records relating to the Commonwealth of Australia Versus Cockatoo Island Dockyard Pty Ltd Arbitration
GDA 24	Records relating to data matching exercises
GDA 25	For the transfer of custody and ownership of records to contractors providing services on behalf of or to Government under outsourcing arrangements

Agency-specific disposal authorities

This Authority only applies to records created as a result of one of the 17 administrative functions and not to records relating to business activities carried out by agencies to support their core functional responsibilities. Agency-specific Records Disposal Authorities (RDAs) must be developed for these records. Directions on how to develop a functional RDA are in *Appraisal Guidelines for Commonwealth Records*, available on the National Archives website at www.naa.gov.au

An agency's business classification scheme and RDA can then be merged with the Commonwealth-modified version of *Keyword AAA* and this Authority to cover all records created by the agency.

RELATIONSHIP OF THE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY TO THE KEYWORD AAA THESAURUS

Keyword AAA is based on the functional analysis approach of AS 4390. Specifically, the analysis in Part 4: 7.2 of AS 4390 focuses on:

- (a) the goals and strategies of the organisation;
- (b) the broad functions and activities of the organisation which support the pursuit of the goals and strategies;
- (c) the activities of the organisation which contribute to accomplishment of the functions; and
- (d) the groups of recurring transactions which constitute each activity.

The approach cuts across organisational structures, with functions not just seen as belonging to those areas in an agency which may have prime responsibility for their administration. For example, staff development may be managed at an organisational level by the Human Resource Division of an agency, but it is probable that most business areas would carry out activities to support the planning of staff development requirements for their own employees.

The outcome of the functional analysis is the business classification scheme which, in accordance with AS 4390 (Part 4: 7.2), is hierarchical and based on the following three levels:

- i. The business function.
- ii. The activities constituting the function.
- iii. Further refinements of the activities or groups of transactions which take place within each activity.

According to the classification model of *Keyword AAA*¹;

- keywords represent broad business functions of an agency;
- activity descriptors describe the more specific activities taking place within those functions; and
- subject descriptors are added as a means of describing the more specific subjects or topics relating to the matter to be documented within an activity.

In this Authority the first two levels of the *Keyword AAA* structure have been used: the function and activity levels. The records description covers the third level transactions if they have been identified in the analysis of the function. The class description comprises four components: the function and the activity with their scope notes, the description of the record and the disposal action. Diagram 1 shows this relationship.

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¹ The Archives Authority of New South Wales, *Keyword AAA: A Thesaurus of General Terms*, Sydney, 1998, p.10.

Diagram 1 - Class description

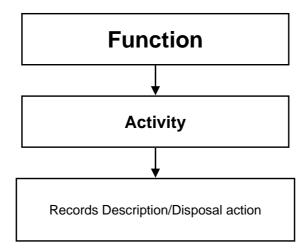
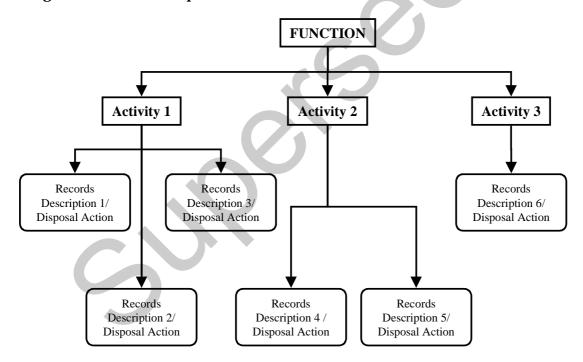


Diagram 2 shows the relationship between the different disposal classes. Each unique function/activity pair can have one or many records descriptions and disposal actions.

Diagram 2 - Model of disposal classes



Sometimes one class description can look the same as another but have a different retention period. This is because a record's value depends on the context of the functions and activity. For example, the activity 'Policy' in Fleet Management is less important than policy in Strategic Management.

LAYOUT OF THE AUTHORITY

This Authority is divided into 20 sections.

It begins with an introduction incorporating a glossary and the business classification scheme. Then each of the functions and activity disposal sets or 'disposal classes' relating to the 17 keywords or administrative functions are described. These are followed by a composite list of classes designated 'retain as national archives' and an index.

The functions and activity disposal sets show the following details:

Function	This is the broad level business function and is displayed in bold capital letters at the top of each page. It is the highest level in the business classification scheme.
	It is followed by the scope note, which provides definitions of the function and a collective view of the business activities that make that function unique.
	Specific directions relating to Commonwealth use of a function have occasionally been added to the <i>Keyword AAA</i> scope note.
Activity	Activities are the processes or operations that make up the business function. They are set in bold and italics below the function statement. This is the second level of the business classification scheme.
	The scope of the activity encompasses all of the transactions that take place in relation to this activity.
	Activities can relate to many functions with the scope notes covering all of these relationships (eg the activity descriptor 'Distribution' is linked to the functions Equipment & Stores, Information Management and Publication). However, each function and activity set represents a unique unit.
Entry No.	This is the disposal class number allocated automatically by the National Archives 'RecordSearch' System. This is the number that agencies must quote on records, control systems and on National Archives' transfer documentation. Note that the numbers start in this Authority at 1000. The barcode is the same as the Entry No. and may be used in an automated recordkeeping system.
Description of Records	This is the description of the records documenting the business function, activity and transactions. The descriptions can relate to one record such as a register or a group of records documenting a particular set of transactions.
Disposal Action	This is the minimum period a record must be kept for and is the trigger event from which the disposal date can be calculated.

'For' Statements	'For' statements provide guidance on the inter-related links to other	
	function and activity sets. 'For' statements positioned under the	
	activity scope note belong to the particular function/activity set and	
	all the records descriptions. The 'For' statements underneath a	
	particular description relate to that record description alone.	

HOW TO SENTENCE RECORDS USING THE AUTHORITY

Sentencing is the process of identifying and classifying records according to a disposal authority and applying the disposal action specified in it. In Diagram 2 an overview is presented of sentencing procedures that can be used for:

- records titled using Keyword AAA terms and sentenced from creation using this linked Administrative Functions Disposal Authority;
- records titled using *Keyword AAA* terms but not sentenced from creation; and
- records where *Keyword AAA* terms have not been used.

This Authority can be used on all inactive records.

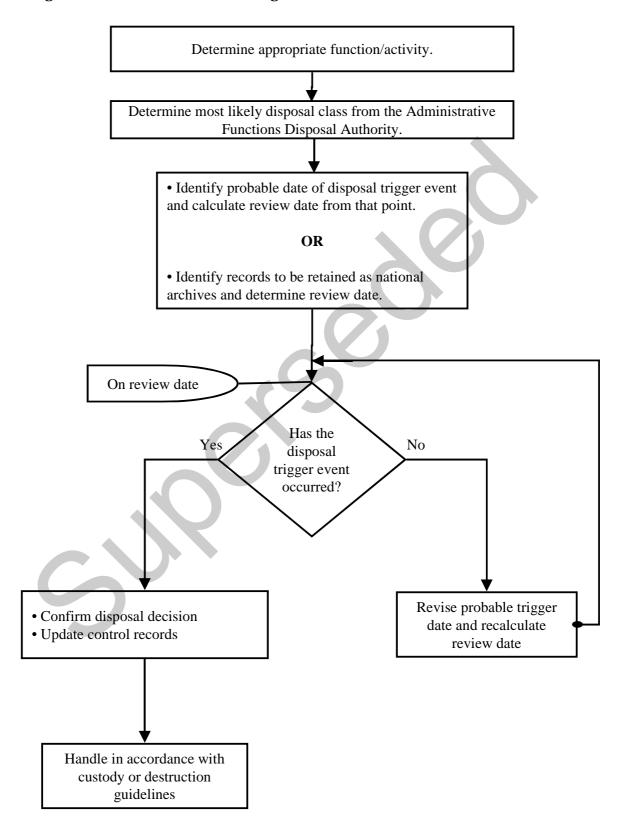
Sentencing from creation is the process of allocating a disposal action at the point of creating a record. This may mean adding the disposal class number to a paper file, or adding it to the metadata attached to an electronic record.

If you plan to introduce sentencing from creation in your agency you will also need strategies to manage this process. For example, you will need to resolve who will be responsible for making the disposal decisions, either the central records management unit or action officers.

If it is to be the individual action officers, the agency will need to consider training requirements and make sure that responsibilities are clearly defined and allocated. Training should include familiarisation with the scope notes of the 17 functions detailed in this Authority (see the Business Classification Scheme on pages 23 – 32).

Diagram 3 shows steps that can be followed to sentence all records using this Authority.

Diagram 3 - Procedures for Sentencing



Determine the appropriate administrative function/activity

- Using Keyword AAA and/or this Authority, determine the appropriate
 administrative function and activity either to sentence a record from creation, or to
 link the terms to a record created not using these tools. The Index can also assist in
 identifying the correct function and activity set.
- **Read the scope notes thoroughly** rather than just depend on what is considered to be an appropriate term based on the title of the function and activity.
- Note that activities are generic and can link to many functions, with the scope notes reflecting this multi-function relationship.
 - For example, the scope note for the activity 'Arrangement' reads, 'The activities involved in arranging for a journey or trip. Includes preparing travel itineraries, authorisations, entitlements etc. Also includes arrangements made for the delivery of equipment of goods and the usage made of facilities, vehicles, equipment and space'. This activity descriptor is linked to the functions Community Relations; Equipment and Stores; Fleet Management; Personnel; Property Management and Staff Development. The activity scope note uses words relating to the different aspects of each function.
- There are occasions when the activity scope note describes a transaction which is also raised to the level of an independent activity in the business classification scheme. For example, the scope note for the activity 'Customer Service' reads 'The activities associated with the planning, monitoring and evaluation of services provided to customers by the organisation' but Planning' and 'Evaluation' are also both separate activity terms in the scheme. In such instances the individual activities 'Planning' and 'Evaluation' should not be used for records documenting the 'Customer Service' activity.

As a general rule, where there is overlap in activity boundaries, **sentencing should be done on the whole activity rather than components of the activity scope**.

- If records to be sentenced have not been titled using *Keyword AAA* but an agency uses a classification scheme, then *a mapping exercise may assist in linking the agency's terms to the 17 functional terms*. For example, 'People Management' could be linked to 'Personnel Management'; and 'Human Resource Management' may be linked to 'Personnel', 'Compensation' and 'Staff Development'.
- Free text titling will usually have a word(s) that should give some indication of the function. For example, in the free text title 'Request for Purchase of Laptops', 'purchase' indicates the activity 'Acquisition', and 'laptops' the 'Technology & Telecommunications' function.

Determine the most likely disposal class in the Administrative Functions Disposal Authority

• **Examine the activities and the classes** available in the Authority under the relevant function

To assist with good file management, records documenting the same set of transactions have often been divided into two classes: the key documents, and the general working and administrative records. Often the two classes will have the same retention period, which indicates that the supporting documentation is expected to provide important contextual information to manage the business activity. In such instances it is still recommended that the records be kept on two files (either 'paper' files or electronic 'containers') to facilitate retrieval. If an agency decides to raise only one file containing all records, the highest retention period should be used.

Agencies may also wish to place all records relating to a function/activity set on one file rather than break them into transaction sets reflected in the 'Description of Records'. Again, if this decision is made, the highest retention period should be allocated and the appropriate entry number used.

In sentencing records not titled according to Keyword AAA, or where the initial
classification is no longer appropriate, many functions and activities may be found
on the one record. In such instances records should not be culled or rearranged;
rather, nominate the highest retention period for all functions and activities
included.

Identify probable date of a disposal trigger event and calculate review date from that point. Or identify records to be retained as national archives and determine a review date.

A trigger is the point from which the disposal action is calculated.

Some trigger dates may be easily identified (eg date of separation), but others will be more complex, and it may be necessary to consult the action area or creating officer for advice (eg 'destroy 5 years after policy is superseded' or 'destroy when action completed'). The consultation may provide you with a likely trigger date or assist with a risk assessment to determine a reasonable period.

Some of the triggers in the Authority include:

- when action is completed
- the last action
- the last entry
- the date the next risk assessment occurs
- an event (eg when property is sold; when separation occurs).

- A review date should be added to the record and noted in the control system, eg 1105 R2005, to note that disposal class entry number 1105 has been allocated to this record and that it should be reviewed in 2005. (Annotations on control records relating to the management of disposal are authorised under Section 24(2)(b) of the Archives Act 1983 for records over 25 years old.)
- Where sentencing is carried out from creation, an agency may choose to allocate a review period for all records and not attempt to determine a review date for each record at the time of creation (eg review all records after 5 years). In such cases the disposal class entry number (eg 1105 R2005) should be noted on the record and the control system.
- When the review is undertaken, the event or date the trigger is based on may have passed. If this has occurred, the disposal action may be implemented. (See directions under the step 'Confirm disposal decision and update control records'.)
- For records designated as 'retain as national archives' (RNA) the trigger is the date
 when business needs have ceased and the record can be handled in accordance
 with the National Archives' custody guidelines. Before transfer, agencies should
 undertake a review and quality check of the record to:
 - determine whether the record has been consistently maintained and can still be designated as 'retain as national archives'; and
 - confirm that the agency's day-to-day business needs for the record have ceased.
- For some inactive records this step may finalise the process, as the trigger date may
 have been met and the calculated disposal date passed. If this is the case then the
 final disposal date can be entered on the record and the control records, eg 1105
 D2007 (where D refers to the final disposal date), and arrangements made to
 handle in accordance with National Archives custody guidelines.
- It should be noted *that the retention periods in the Authority are only minimum requirements.* If these periods are too short to meet an agency's particular business requirements, they should be adjusted accordingly. (Note the special requirements of overseas posts mentioned below).

On the review date, examine records asking the question: 'Has the disposal trigger event occurred?'

• For a sentence allocated from creation this may be some years hence, or it may be a shorter time frame for records already in existence.

If the answer is NO, revise probable trigger date and recalculate a review date

• If on review it is determined that the trigger point has not occurred, then the review date should be recalculated and altered on the record and control system.

If the answer is YES, confirm the disposal decision and update the control records

• If on review it is determined that the trigger point has been reached, *the disposal decision should be confirmed*, taking into account any change that may have occurred in the nature of the record since the allocation of the review date. The disposal date should then be entered on the record and in the control system eg 1105 D2010.

If the nature of the record has changed, *the record should be resentenced* with a new review date.

- At the confirming stage consideration also needs to be given to whether any *Disposal Freeze* relates to the records. From time to time the National Archives places freezes on the disposal of some groups of records relating to a particular topic or event which has gained prominence or provokes controversy. For further details on current freezes refer to the National Archives website at www.naa.gov.au/
- Records which relate to any outstanding or potential legal action, or are subject to
 a request for access under the Freedom of Information Act 1982, the Archives Act 1983
 or any other Act should not be destroyed until the action has been completed.

Handle records where the sentencing has been finalised in accordance with National Archives custody or destruction guidelines

The records should be handled in accordance with the National Archives custody
guidelines for *retention as national archives, or destroyed* when appropriate
following any directions issued by the Archives

SPECIAL NOTES TO THE AUTHORITY

Meeting requirements of host country by overseas posts

The disposal action noted against various class in the Authority relates to Australian statutory requirements. Australian overseas posts may have to increase the disposal requirement to meet any statute of limitation periods in their host country.

Establishment and Personnel records

A number of agencies manage their establishment structures and employ staff under their own enabling legislation rather than the *Public Service Act 1999*. Such agencies are not excluded from using the sections of the Authority relating to the Establishment and Personnel functions, but before doing so should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations in scope and requirements.

In cases where the variations are great this Authority is not applicable. Coverage in such circumstances must be included under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Addition to and alteration of records over 25 years old

Master control records may be annotated as required to show the appropriate disposal class relevant to the records.

Records over 25 years old which are required for the ongoing management of employees, such as case records in the Compensation, Occupational Health and Safety, and Personnel functions may be added to or amended, providing that alterations do not involve erasures or deletions.

Transfer of custody and ownership of Commonwealth records

Under some functions the transfer of custody and ownership of Commonwealth records is directed in the disposal action. This Authority authorises the transfer of the records under Section 24 (2) (b) of the *Archives Act 1983* subject to them no longer being needed as evidence for further Commonwealth liability (eg for compensation issues). If there are any doubts in relation to this requirement, copies should be made of the records before they are transferred.

NORMAL ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICE

Some records may be destroyed without prior Archives authorisation under the 'normal administrative practice' (NAP) provisions of the *Archives Act 1983*. Records can be disposed of as a normal administrative practice if they are:

- duplicate (eg an information copy)
- obviously unimportant (eg telephone message slips)
- of short term facilitative value (eg compliment slips)
- a combination of these.

The guiding principle is that agencies should always be sure that destroying the record will not destroy evidence that might be needed.

Records that have been captured into a recordkeeping system should not be destroyed as NAP unless the reason for their destruction is recorded in full on the relevant control records. NAP can apply to electronic records as well as paper records (eg information on word processing systems where a hard copy has been captured into a recordkeeping system). It is designed to allow for sensible business practices.

Further information on NAP can be obtained from the National Archives' *Advice 18 Destroying records as a normal administrative practice.*

TRAINING AND FURTHER ADVICE ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS DISPOSAL AUTHORITY

For training and advice on the use of this Administrative Functions Disposal Authority see the contact details on the Archives website at www.naa.gov.au/

AMENDMENTS AND VARIATIONS

This Authority will occasionally require amendment by the addition of new classes or a variation to the class descriptions or disposal action. The Archives will notify agencies of any changes and the information will also be published on the Archives website

Officers using the Authority should advise the Archives of any significant changes they consider desirable, or classes of records not covered by the Authority.

Comments on this Authority can be directed to:

National Archives of Australia PO Box 7425 Canberra Mail Centre ACT 2610

AUTHORISATION

ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS DISPOSAL AUTHORITY

Person to whom notice of authorisation is given:

Secretaries of Departments, Heads of Executive Agencies and Commonwealth controlled companies (as listed in attachment A to the memorandum 1998/27 dated 18 Feb 2000 accompanying this Authority)

Purpose:

Authorises arrangements for the disposal of records in accordance with Section 24(2)(b) of the *Archives Act 1983*

Authorises arrangements for the addition to, or alteration of records over 25 years old, in accordance with Section 26(2)(b) of the *Archives Act 1983*

Application:

Records relating to Administrative Functions held by all Commonwealth Agencies

This authorisation applies to only the disposal of the records described on the Authority in accordance with the disposal action specified. The Authority will apply only if disposal takes place with the consent of the agency that is responsible at the time of disposal for the functions documented in the records concerned.

Authorising Officer, Australian Archives 18 February 2000 Date of Issue

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Date of Amendment

BUSINESS CLASSIFICATION SCHEME

Community Relations

The function of establishing rapport with the community and raising and maintaining the organisation's broad public profile.

Includes marketing, advertising, media liaison, exhibitions, celebrations, ceremonies, speeches, official representation at functions and participation in community activities. Also includes relationships with professional bodies and industry, the management of customer services, handling reactions to those services, customer consultation and feedback.

Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in an agency's own functional Records Disposal Authority.

Acquisition	Exhibitions	Procedures
Address (presentations)	Function (social)	Public Reaction
Arrangements	Grant Funding	Reporting
Celebrations	Greetings	Representatives
Ceremonies	Implementation	Research
Committees	Joint Ventures	Reviewing
Conferences	Liaison	Security
Contracting-out	Marketing	Submissions
Customer Service	Media Relations	Suggestions
Donations	Meetings	Tendering
Enquiries	Planning	Visits
Evaluation	Policy	

Compensation

The function of providing compensation to personnel and visitors injured while proceeding to or from work, during working hours or on the organisation's premises.

Includes the rehabilitation of injured workers and compensation for damage to property where such damage is claimed as the organisation's responsibility. This function excludes Defence military personnel.

Accidents	Claims	Policy
Acquisition	Committees	Procedures
Advice	Compliance	Rehabilitation
Agreements	Contracting-out	Reviewing
Appeals (decisions)	Insurance	Tendering
Authorisation	Leave	
Cases	Payments	

Equipment & Stores

The function of acquiring, supplying, maintaining, repairing and disposing of equipment and stores stocked and used by the organisation.

Equipment includes instruments, implements, tools, machines, plant, furniture and furnishings. Stores include chemicals, hardware, homeware items, kitchen/cleaning items, medical supplies and stationery. Excludes equipment and stores acquired to support the Defence combat function.

Acquisition	Disposal	Policy
Agreements	Distribution	Procedures
Allocation	Evaluation	Reporting
Arrangements	Inspections	Reviewing
Audit	Installation	Risk Management
Authorisation	Insurance	Security
Claims	Inventory	Stocktake
Compliance	Leasing	Tendering
Construction	Leasing-out	
Contracting-out	Maintenance	

Establishment

The function of establishing and changing the organisational structure.

Includes moving employees from one agency to another and reducing or increasing an agency's staffing levels. Also includes internal reorganisations to meet agency goals.

Note: Before using this Authority, agencies that employ staff under legislation other than the *Public Service Act 1999* should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations from the Public Service Act. In cases where the variations differ greatly this Authority is not applicable and should not be used. Coverage in such circumstances must be included under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Advice	Planning	Reviewing
Authorisation	Policy	Vacancies
Committees	Procedures	Variations
Evaluation	Reporting	
Meetings	Restructuring	

Financial Management

The function of managing the organisation's financial resources.

Includes establishing, operating and maintaining accounting systems, controls and procedures, financial planning, framing budgets and budget submissions, obtaining grants, managing funds in the form of allocations from the Consolidated Revenue fund and revenue from charging, trading and investments. Also includes the monitoring and analysis of assets to assist the delivery of economic and social services to government, industry and the community.

Accounting	Contracting-out	Procedures
Acquisition	Donations	Reporting
Advice	Evaluation	Reviewing
Agreements	Financial Statements	Risk Management
Allocation	Fraud	Salaries
Asset Register	Grant Funding	Standards
Audit	Inventory	Tendering
Authorisation	Meetings	Treasury Management
Budgeting	Payments	
Committees	Planning	
Compliance	Policy	

Fleet Management

The function of acquiring (either by purchase, leasing or chartering), managing, maintaining, repairing and disposing of vehicles.

Vehicles are any means of conveyance owned or used by the organisation to transport people or items. Excludes vehicles acquired to support the Defence combat function, but includes all other special purpose vehicles.

Accidents	Committees	Maintenance
Acquisition	Compliance	Meetings
Agreements	Contracting-out	Policy
Allowances	Disposal	Procedures
Arrangements	Infringements	Reporting
Authorisation	Insurance	Tendering
Claims	Leasing	

Government Relations

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions.

Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, Territory or overseas governments.

The function is not designed to cover regular ongoing contact between government agencies, which should be classified under the specific function.

Addresses (presentations)	Joint Ventures	Representatives
Advice	Legislation	Research
Agreements	Media Relations	Reviewing
Committees	Meetings	Security
Compliance	Policy	Submissions
Customer Service	Procedures	Visits
Implementation	Reporting	
Inquiries	Representations	

Industrial Relations

The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace.

Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Advice	Disputes	Planning
Agreements	Enterprise Bargaining	Policy
Allowances	Grievances	Procedures
Appeals (decisions)	Industrial Action	Reporting
Claims	Infringements	Research
Committees	Inspections	Tendering
Compliance	Insurance	
Contracting-out	Meetings	

Information Management

The function of managing the organisation's information resources.

Includes creating, capturing, registering, classifying, indexing, storing, retrieving and disposing of records and developing strategies to manage records. Also includes the acquisition, control and disposal of library and other information products and items kept for reference purposes, and the provision of services based on information resources to internal and external customers. Data administration, archival records and the handling of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are also classified under this keyword.

Acquisition	Data Administration	Privacy
Advice	Disposal	Procedures
Agreements	Distribution	Reporting
Appeals (decisions)	Donations	Research
Audit	Enquiries	Restructuring
Authorisation	Implementation	Reviewing
Cases	Inspections	Risk management
Committees	Intellectual Property	Security
Compliance	Inventory	Standards
Conservation	Marketing	Submissions
Contracting-out	Meetings	Suggestions
Control	Planning	Tendering
Customer Service	Policy	

Legal Services

The function of providing legal services to the organisation.

Includes the interpretation and provision of advice to the organisation regarding legal matters, the drawing up of legal agreements and the handling of legal actions and disputes. Also includes legal advice received from in-house consultants and external sources.

Advice	Inquiries	Reporting
Agreements	Intellectual property	Research
Claims	Litigation	Reviewing
Committees	Meetings	Submissions
Compliance	Planning	Tendering
Contracting-out	Policy	
Infringements	Procedures	

Occupational Health & Safety

The function of implementing and coordinating occupational health and safety and associated legislation throughout the organisation.

Includes safety, occupational hygiene, ergonomic, occupational medicine and first aid measures, together with policy, procedural and monitoring matters associated with the organisations' preventative and curative OH&S program. Includes the establishment of committees to investigate and advise on health and safety issues in the workplace.

Accidents	Compliance	Policy
Advice	Contracting-out	Procedures
Agreements	Evaluation	Reporting
Appeals	Health Promotion	Representatives
Audit	Implementation	Research
Authorisation	Inquiries	Reviewing
Cases	Inspections	Risk Management
Claims	Meetings	Standards
Committees	Planning	Tendering

Personnel

The function of managing all employees in the organisation employed under the *Public Service Act 1999* and previous legislation and volunteer workers.

Includes review of actions, overtime, salaries, superannuation and working hours for individuals.

Note: Before using this Authority, agencies that employ staff under legislation other than the *Public Service Act 1999* should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations from the Public Service Act in scope or conditions of employment. If the variations are significant, this Authority is not applicable and should not be used. Coverage in such circumstances must be under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Accidents	Employment Conditions	Recruitment
Agreements	Evaluation	Rehabilitation
Allowances	Grievances	Reporting
Appeals (decisions)	Infringements	Representatives
Arrangements	Insurance	Reviewing
Authorisation	Leave	Reviews (decisions)
Cases	Marketing	Salaries
Claims	Meetings	Security
Committees	Moving	Separations
Compliance	Performance Management	Social Clubs
Contracting-out	Planning	Suggestions
Counselling	Policy	Tendering
Discipline	Procedures	

Property Management

The function of managing land and working, storage or living space within premises, and of acquiring, constructing, fitting-out, managing, maintaining, protecting and disposing of premises.

Includes buildings and land allotment owned, rented or leased by the organisation. Also includes the removal of pollutants and waste. This function also covers properties, owned by the Commonwealth or Commonwealth institutions, which have national significance – including natural, historic and indigenous significance – are listed in the Register of the National Estate, by the World Heritage Commission, classified by the National Trusts or on State heritage listings.

Note: This function should not be used by agencies for records covering the management of specialised buildings, that is, buildings that have been designed for a specific purpose or have unique design features eg the Lucas Heights Nuclear Reactor building or Mt Stromlo Observatory. In these cases specific coverage should be included in the agency's own functional Records Disposal Authority.

Acquisition	Construction	Maintenance
Advice	Contracting-out	Meetings
Agreements	Disposal	Moving
Appeals (decisions)	Evaluation	Planning
Arrangements	Fit-outs	Policy
Audit	Implementation	Procedures
Authorisation	Inspections	Reporting
Cases	Installation	Reviewing
Claims	Insurance	Risk Management
Committees	Inventory	Security
Compliance	Leasing	Tendering
Conservation	Leasing-out	

Publication

The function of having works, irrespective of format, issued for sale or distribution internally or to the public.

Includes drafting, manual or electronic production (design, layout, typesetting, printing etc), marketing and supply of publications by the organisation. Includes external publications (such as technical papers, issues papers, articles for professional journals and reports) and leaflets which aim to promote the services and public image of the organisation; and internal publications (such as newsletters, circulars, procedure manuals etc), which are not produced for public relations. Also includes multi-media publications, CD-ROM and on-line information services.

Advice	Enquiries	Production
Agreements	Evaluation	Reporting
Committees	Intellectual Property	Research
Compliance	Joint Ventures	Reviewing
Contracting-out	Marketing	Risk Management
Corporate Style	Meetings	Stocktake
Disposal	Planning	Tendering
Distribution	Policy	_
Drafting	Procedures	

Staff Development

The function of encouraging staff to develop their skills and abilities (through activities, programs and events) to maximise their potential and increase their productivity.

Includes identifying and implementing all aspects of training needs and programs (internal and external) available to staff.

Acquisition	Committees	Policy
Addresses (presentations)	Compliance	Procedures
Advice	Conferences	Reporting
Allowances	Contracting-out	Reviewing
Arrangements	Evaluation	Tendering
Audit	Meetings	Training
Authorisation	Planning	

Strategic Management

The function of applying broad systematic management planning for the organisation.

Includes the activities involved with the development, monitoring and reviewing of business plans, strategic plans, corporate plans and other long-term organisational strategies. Also includes the development of the corporate mission, objectives, continuous improvement processes, quality assurance and certification, and the formulation and amendment of legislation which provides the legislative basis for the organisation.

Agreements	Fraud	Procedures
Audit	Grant Funding	Reporting
Committees	Implementation	Research
Compliance	Legislation	Reviewing
Conferences	Meetings	Risk Management
Contracting-out	Performance Management	Standards
Customer Service	Planning	Tendering
Evaluation	Policy	

Technology & Telecommunications

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems.

Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, intranets and websites.

Acquisition	Database Management	Planning
Advice	Disposal	Policy
Agreements	Evaluation	Privacy
Allocation	Implementation	Procedures
Application Development	Inspections	Reporting
Audit	Installation	Research
Authorisation	Intellectual Property	Restructuring
Committees	Leasing	Reviewing
Compliance	Leasing-out	Risk Management
Contracting-out	Maintenance	Security
Control	Meetings	Standards
Customer Service	Modelling	Tendering
Data Administration	Operations	

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Active records	Those records regularly required for the day-to-day functioning of an agency. Also referred to as current records.
Activity	A task or operation performed to execute some or all of a <i>function</i> . An activity is identified by the name it is given and its scope (or definition). The scope of the activity encompasses all the <i>transactions</i> that take place in relation to it. Depending on the nature of the transactions involved, an activity may be performed in relation to one function, or many. See <i>Function</i> and <i>Transaction</i> .
Administrative Functions Disposal Authority	The Administrative Functions Disposal Authority was authorised in February 2000 by the National Archives and relates to common administrative functions performed by most Commonwealth agencies.
	It replaces General Disposal Authorities 12/12A, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20 and also replaces all entries in agency Records Disposal Authorities which cover records of an administrative nature.
	The Authority is based on the business classification scheme of the <i>Keyword AAA: A Thesaurus of General Terms</i> . See also <i>Business classification scheme</i> and <i>Disposal Authorities</i> .
Archives	Archives are those records that are appraised as having continuing value (Australian Standard AS 4390-1996, Records Management, Part 1: General, Clause 4.4, 1996).
Business activity	An umbrella term covering all the functions, processes, activities and transactions of an organisation and its employees (Australian Standard AS 4390–1996, <i>Records Management</i> , Part 1: General, Clause 4.6, 1996).

Business classification scheme	A description of the functions and activities of the organisation derived from an analysis of business activity. The business classification scheme contains terms and scope notes that represent and describe functions, activities, transactions or other elements and shows their relationships. The number of levels within the scheme can vary depending on the level of refinement required and how the scheme will be used. The scheme is hierarchical, moving from the general to the specific, eg each function shows the activities that are identified in relation to it, and each activity (linked to the function) would show the categories of transactions that are encountered. The functional structure of the Administrative Functions Disposal Authority is based on the business classification
	scheme of <i>Keyword AAA:</i> A <i>Thesaurus of General Terms.</i> It has been modified to suit Commonwealth requirements. A copy of the business classification scheme used in this Authority is reproduced as part of the Introduction.
Commonwealth Modified Version of the Keyword AAA Thesaurus	This is a modified version of <i>Keyword AAA: A Thesaurus of General Terms</i> which includes changes made by the National Archives to accommodate specific Commonwealth requirements.
Contract under seal	Also called a 'deed' or a 'speciality', this document is signed by a party (or parties) in the presence of a witness (or witnesses) and binds the party or parties.
Current records	See Active records.
Destroy after action completed	A disposal action directing the legal destruction of records documenting a particular set of transactions linked to a function and activity set when all business action has been completed.
Destroy after last action	A disposal action referring to the date of the last recorded action.
Destroy when reference ceases	A disposal action which authorises destruction of records when all business needs to refer to the records have ceased.
	This is used when there is no identifiable disposal trigger date, and where the loss of information contained in the records would have negligible effects on the business operations of an agency.

Disposal	A range of processes associated with implementing appraisal decisions. These include the retention, deletion, or destruction in or from recordkeeping systems. They may also include the migration or transmission of records between recordkeeping systems, and the transfer of custody or ownership of records. (Australian Standard AS 4390-1996, <i>Records Management</i> , Part 1: General, Clause 4.4, 1996).
Disposal action	The disposal action noted on a disposal authority indicating the minimum retention period a record must be kept for and the event from which the disposal date should be calculated.
Disposal Authorities	Legal documents issued by the National Archives to authorise the disposal of Commonwealth records. They specify classes of records and the minimum time they should be kept. Records Disposal Authorities or RDAs apply to the records of a single agency, while the <i>Administrative Functions Disposal Authority</i> and General Disposal Authorities or GDAs apply to all Commonwealth agencies.
Disposal class	A description of the characteristics of a group of records documenting similar activities, together with a disposal action to be applied to the group. The description consists of function and activity terms and scope notes, record description and disposal action.
Disposal freeze	A ban on disposal action which applies to certain groups of records as designated by the National Archives from time to time.
Disposal trigger	The point from which the disposal action is calculated. This can be a date on which action is completed or a date on which an event occurs.
Function	The largest unit of business activity in an organisation or jurisdiction (Australian Standard AS 4390–1996, <i>Records Management</i> , Part 1: General, Clause 4.15, 1996). See <i>Activity</i> and <i>Transaction</i> .
GDA	See Disposal Authorities.
General Disposal Authorities	See Disposal Authorities.
Inactive records	Records that are no longer required by an agency for administrative purposes on a regular basis. Also referred to as non-current records.

Keyword AAA: A Thesaurus of General Terms	A thesaurus produced by the State Records Authority of NSW. It contains general terms designed for use in classifying, titling and indexing most types of records in most technological environments. The classification model of the thesaurus has 17 keywords representing broad business administrative functions with linked activity and subject descriptors. See also Commonwealth Modified Version of the Keyword AAA Thesaurus.
Lead agency	A Commonwealth agency which has major responsibility for a function within Commonwealth jurisdiction.
Non-current records	See Inactive records.
Record	Recorded information, in any form, including data in computer systems, created or received and maintained by an organisation or person in the transaction of business or the conduct of affairs and kept as evidence of such activity (Australian Standard AS 4390–1996, <i>Records Management</i> , Part 1: General, Clause 4.21, 1996). See <i>Sentencing</i> .
RDA	See Disposal Authorities.
Records Disposal Authority Retain as national archives (RNA)	See <i>Disposal Authorities</i> . The disposal action for records appraised as having continuing value (Australian Standard AS 4390–1996, <i>Records Management</i> , Part: 1 General, Clause 4.5, 1996).
Review date	The date added to the control system as a trigger to review the disposal action. It is a probable date of disposal and can be calculated by risk assessment or through consultation with the action area.
Sentencing	The process of identifying and classifying records, and applying the appropriate disposal action specified in a valid disposal authority. This process can be undertaken at any point in the record's existence (at the point of creation, when current business is finished, or at a specified review date).
Transaction	The smallest unit of business activity (Australian Standard AS 4390-1996, <i>Records Management</i> , Part 1: General, Clause 4.27, 1996). See <i>Function</i> and <i>Activity</i> .

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Acquisition

The process of gaining ownership or use of property and other items or the provision of services required in the conduct of business through purchase or requisitions.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1001



Records documenting the acquisition of goods and services (eg catering services) required to support the community relations function where there is no tender or contracting-out process (ie where the cost of the acquisition is below the threshold for tendering or where a purchase is made against a period contract).

[For the acquisition of community relations goods and services through a tender process, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Tendering.

For the management of contracted out services, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Contracting-out.

For managing financial transactions supporting acquisition activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.]

Destroy 7 years after action completed

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Addresses (presentations)

The activity of giving addresses for training, professional, community relations or sales purposes. Includes speeches and multi-media presentations.

For papers presented by staff at conferences supporting the community relations function, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Conferences.

Entry No 1002	Description of Records Final version of addresses made by the portfolio Minister or senior agency officers at major public occasions.	Disposal Action Retain as national archives
	[For addresses delivered by the portfolio Minister or senior agency officers at government occasions, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Addresses.]	
1003	Final versions of other addresses delivered in the routine promotion of the agency's service or products.	Destroy 2 years after last presentation
1004	Working papers documenting the development of addresses, including drafts.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Arrangements

The activities involved in arranging for a journey or trip. Includes preparing travel itineraries, authorisations, entitlements etc. Also includes arrangements made for the delivery of equipment or goods and the usage made of facilities, vehicles, equipment and space.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1005

Records detailing arrangements carried out to support the community relations function. Includes arrangements for guest speakers.

Destroy 1 year after event

[For arrangements made to support events hosted by the agency, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Functions; COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Celebrations and/or COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Ceremonies.

For making travel arrangements for staff to attend promotional activities supporting the community relations function, use PERSONNEL - Arrangements.]

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Celebrations

The activities associated with arranging and managing festivities to honour a particular event. For addresses made at celebrations, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Addresses.

For managing financial transactions supporting celebrations activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No 1006	Description of Records Programs, invitations, guest lists and photographs relating to celebratory festivities held to honour an event of major importance to an agency eg a significant anniversary.	Disposal Action Retain as national archives
1007	Records documenting routine arrangements supporting celebrations to honour an event of major importance to an agency. Includes catering, venue bookings and entertainment.	Destroy 2 years after action completed
1008	Records documenting all arrangements for other celebrations of lesser significance. Includes programs, invitations, guest lists, catering, venue bookings and entertainment.	Destroy 2 years after action completed

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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Ceremonies

The activities associated with arranging and managing a formal act performed for a special occasion.

For addresses made at ceremonies, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Addresses.

For managing financial transactions supporting ceremonies, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1009	Programs, invitations, guest lists and photographs relating to ceremonies held to mark a special occasion eg the opening of a building or major facility, or the conferring of special community awards promoted by the agency.	Retain as national archives
1010	Records documenting routine arrangements supporting ceremonies to mark special occasions. Includes catering, venue bookings and entertainment.	Destroy 2 years after action completed
	Records documenting all arrangements for other ceremonies of lesser significance. Includes programs, invitations, guest lists, catering, venue bookings and entertainment.	Destroy 2 years after action completed

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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1012

Records of internal and external committees formed to consider matters relating to the community relations function. Includes:

Destroy 3 years after action completed

- · documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

1013



Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of committees which consider matters relating to the community relations function. Includes:

Destroy when reference ceases

- agenda
- notices of meetings
- draft minutes.

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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Conferences

The activities involved in arranging or attending conferences held either by the organisation or by other organisations. Includes registrations, publicity, and reports of participants etc.

For managing financial transactions supporting conference activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No 1014	Description of Records Records documenting arrangements for agency conferences including program development, arranging speakers, promotion, managing registrations and venue bookings.	Disposal Action Destroy 3 years after action completed
1015	Reports assessing the conduct of agency conferences.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
1016	Copies of unpublished proceedings, reports, speeches and papers from agency conferences. Includes presentations by agency staff. [For the printing and publication of agency conference proceedings and reports, use PUBLICATION - Production.]	Destroy when reference ceases
1017	Records documenting the attendance of staff at conferences arranged by other organisations. Includes the completed conference registration forms, programs and conference promotion material.	Destroy when reference ceases
1018	Copies of published conference proceedings and official reports received at conferences arranged by other organisations.	Destroy when reference ceases
1019	Participants' reports on conferences arranged by other organisations.	Destroy 3 years after action completed

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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Contracting-out

The activities involved in managing the performance of work or the provision of goods and services by an external contractor, vendor or consultant, or by using external bureau services. Includes outsourcing.

For information on records issues relating to outsourcing and contracting-out see General Disposal Authority 25.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1020



Records documenting contract management relating to the community relations function. Includes:

- minutes of meetings with main stakeholders.
- performance and evaluation reports.

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract



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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Customer Service

The activities associated with the planning, monitoring and evaluation of services provided to customers by the organisation.

This function/activity set should not be used by agencies which have an extensive customer service role. In these instances coverage should be included in the agency's own functional Records Disposal Authority.

For services provided to government, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Customer Services.

For complaints from the public about customer services, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Public Reaction.

For suggestions from the public about customer services, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Suggestions.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1021	Records documenting the planning, monitoring and evaluation of customer services provided to the agency's public clients.	Destroy 3 years after action completed

Records documenting the development of service charters and directives relating to the provision of services to the agency's public clients. Includes copies of internal directives and charters.

Destroy 3 years after superseded

[For the production of a service charter, use PUBLICATION - Planning and PUBLICATION - Production.]

Records documenting the management of specific customer services provided to the public eg managing an enquiry desk, a telephone information service or interpreter service. Includes planning, monitoring and evaluation of services eg carrying out customer surveys.

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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Donations

Entry No.

The activities associated with managing money, items, artefacts or property donated to the organisation, or by the organisation and or its staff to charities etc. Includes managing unsolicited donations.

This function/activity set should not be used by agencies where public donations provide major support for core functions eg National Library of Australia and the National Museum of Australia. In these instances coverage should be included in the agency's own functional Records Disposal Authority.

For managing financial transactions associated with donations received or made by the agency, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

For the general management of monetary donations received or given by the agency, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Donations.

Description of Records

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1024	Records documenting donations of money and items, artefacts or property that are of long-term value or ongoing benefit to the nation.	Retain as national archives
1025	Records documenting all other donations of money that are of little public interest (ie small amounts).	Destroy 7 years after donation received
1026	Records documenting all other donations of items, artefacts or property that are of little public interest.	Destroy 7 years after disposal of item
1027	Records documenting donations of money and items made by the agency to public organisations and groups, including charities.	Destroy 7 years after donation was made

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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Enquiries

The activities associated with the handling of requests for information about the organisation and its services by the general public, agency employees or another organisation.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1028

Records documenting the handling of public enquiries about the agency and its programs, products and services.

Destroy 2 years after action completed

Evaluation

The process of determining the suitability of potential or existing programs, items of equipment, systems or services in relation to meeting the needs of the given situation. Includes systems analysis and ongoing monitoring.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1029

Records documenting the evaluation and ongoing monitoring of community relations programs and services.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

The function of establishing rapport with the community and raising and maintaining the organisation's broad public profile. Includes marketing, advertising, media liaison, exhibitions, celebrations, ceremonies, speeches, official representation at functions and participation in community activities. Also includes relationships with professional bodies and industry, the management of customer services, handling reactions to those services, customer consultation and feedback.

Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Exhibitions

The activities associated with using organisational material in mounted displays for the purpose of informing or educating the viewer, or promoting the activities, services, projects or programs of the organisation.

This function/activity set should not be used by agencies which mount exhibitions as a core function eg the National Gallery of Australia and the Australian National Maritime Museum. In these instances coverage should be included in the agency's own functional Records Disposal Authority.

For exhibition openings, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Functions (Social).

For managing financial transactions supporting the organisation of an exhibition, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1030	Records documenting the mounting of displays. Includes exhibition brief and design, and arrangements for setting up	Destroy 3 years after action
	a display.	completed

Functions (social)

The process of organising and managing an official or formal social occasion conducted by the organisation to enhance its internal and external relationships, or to promote its services and image.

For addresses made at functions, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Addresses.

For managing financial transactions supporting functions, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1031	Records documenting the organisation and management of an official or formal social occasion. Includes venue bookings, guest lists, invitations and catering.	Destroy 2 years after action completed

The function of establishing rapport with the community and raising and maintaining the organisation's broad public profile. Includes marketing, advertising, media liaison, exhibitions, celebrations, ceremonies, speeches, official representation at functions and participation in community activities. Also includes relationships with professional bodies and industry, the management of customer services, handling reactions to those services, customer consultation and feedback.

Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Grant Funding

The activities associated with the application for and receipt of grants.

This function/activity set should not be used by an agency who as part of their core functions manage the distribution of grant funding to the community, or by an agency making an application for a grant from a community based organisation to support a core function. In such cases specific coverage should be included in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

For managing corporate strategies for seeking grant funding, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Grant Funding.

Entry No 1032	Description of Records Records documenting successful applications made by the agency for grant funding from a non-government source.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after action completed
	[For the management of grant money received by the agency, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Grant Funding.]	
1033	Records documenting unsuccessful applications made by the agency for grant funding from a non-government source.	Destroy 2 years after last action

Greetings

The activities associated with preparing, sending and receiving letters of appreciation or condolences. Includes mailing lists for Christmas cards.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1034	Records documenting the preparation, dispatch and receipt of letters of introduction, appreciation, condolence and greetings cards. Includes mailing lists.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Implementation

The activities associated with carrying out or putting into action, plans, policies, procedures or instructions, all of which could be internally or externally driven. Includes manual or automated databases, applications or systems, but excludes the installation of equipment. Also includes monitoring to ensure that the implementation goes according to schedule and that standards are met and first aid treatment.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1035

Records documenting the implementation of plans, policies and procedures developed to support the community relations function.

Destroy 3 years after action completed



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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Joint Ventures

The activities involved in managing joint operations between departments, either within the organisation or with other organisations, or with the government, where there is a contract, joint contribution of funds and/or time. Also includes private sector ventures with public sector organisations, and co-research or collaboration between inter-departmental units, departments or organisations.

This function/activity set should not be used for joint venture arrangements which support core functions of the agency. In these instances coverage should be included in the agency's own functional Records Disposal Authority.

Entry No 1036	Description of Records Records documenting the management of joint ventures undertaken to support the community relations function. Includes records relating to the establishment, maintenance and review of joint venture agreements and contracts.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after termination of arrangement
1037	Signed joint venture contracts under seal and supporting records: Western Australia.	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract
1038	Signed joint venture contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia.	Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract
1039	Signed joint venture contacts under seal and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory and Tasmania.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
1040	Signed simple joint venture contracts and agreements and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract

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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Liaison

The activities associated with maintaining regular general contact between the organisation and professional associations, professionals in related fields, other private sector organisations and community groups. Includes sharing informal advice and discussions, membership of professional associations and collaborating on projects that are not joint ventures.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1041



Records documenting liaison activities undertaken with professional associations, private sector organisations and community groups. Includes collaboration on projects, exchange of information and all the activities of a member of an organisation.

Destroy 3 years after action completed

[For subscriptions to publications of professional bodies where the subscriber does not have to be a member of a organisation, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Acquisitions.]

Marketing

The process of analysing, creating and selling products and services. Includes market research, sales forecasting, advertising, media releases, promotion, pricing and product evaluation.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1042

Records documenting the marketing of an agency's community relations activities. Includes records covering arrangements for advertising campaigns and promotional photographs.

Destroy 3 years after action completed

[For the development of a marketing plan, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Planning.

For media releases relating to marketing activities, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Media Relations.1

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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Media Relations

The activities associated with establishing a relationship between the media and the organisation. Includes cultivating media contacts, coordinating access to the media, authorising and issuing press releases and briefings, and organising media interviews.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1043	Master set of agency media releases.	Retain as national archives
1044	Records documenting administrative arrangements with the media. Includes the issuing of media releases, organising	Destroy 2 years after action

interviews and providing information and assistance to support media coverage of an event or promotion of the agency's services or products.

completed

1045 Copies of media items specifically relating to the agency's operations. Includes newcuttings, transcripts and electronic items.

> [For the acquisition of media items through a media monitoring service, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT -Acquisitions.]

Destroy when reference ceases

The function of establishing rapport with the community and raising and maintaining the organisation's broad public profile. Includes marketing, advertising, media liaison, exhibitions, celebrations, ceremonies, speeches, official representation at functions and participation in community activities. Also includes relationships with professional bodies and industry, the management of customer services, handling reactions to those services, customer consultation and feedback.

Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Meetings

The activities associated with ad-hoc gatherings held to formulate, discuss, update, or resolve issues and matters pertaining to the management of the section, department, or organisation as a whole. Includes arrangements, agenda, taking of minutes etc. Excludes committee meetings.

Entry No 1046	Description of Records Final version of minutes and supporting documents tabled at meetings held to support the community relations function. Includes meetings with external agencies.	Disposal Action Destroy 3 years after action completed
1047	Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of meetings held to support the community relations function. Includes agenda, notices of meetings and draft minutes.	Destroy when reference ceases

Planning

The process of formulating ways in which objectives can be achieved. Includes determination of services, needs and solutions to those needs.

Entry No 1048	Description of Records Final version of agency-wide community relations plans.	Disposal Action Destroy 3 years after plan is superseded
1049	Final version of community relations plans at business unit, state, regional or overseas office level.	Destroy 2 years after plan is superseded
1050	Working papers used to develop all community relations plans. Includes draft plans, reports analysing issues, and comments received from other areas of the agency.	Destroy 1 year after adoption of the final plan
1051	Copies of community relations plans.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No 1052	Description of Records Records documenting the development and establishment of the agency's community relations policies. Includes: • policy proposals • research papers • results of consultations • supporting reports • major drafts • final policy documents.	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after policy is superseded
1053	Records documenting comments made on the development of government-wide community relations policies.	Destroy 1 year after promulgation of the new policy
1054	Working papers documenting the development of all community relations policies.	Destroy 1 year after promulgation of the new policy
1055	Copies of policy documents and supporting papers.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1056 	Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc detailing procedures supporting the community relations function.	Destroy when procedures are superseded
1057 	Records documenting the development of agency procedures supporting the community relations function.	Destroy 1 year after production of procedures
1058	Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc.	Destroy when reference ceases

Public Reaction

The process of handling public reaction to an organisation's policies or services. Includes anonymous letters, letters of complaint and letters of congratulations or appreciation received from the public.

Entry No Description of Records	Disposal Action
Records documenting public reaction and agency responses.	Destroy 6 years after action completed

[For suggestions received from the public, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Suggestions.]

The function of establishing rapport with the community and raising and maintaining the organisation's broad public profile. Includes marketing, advertising, media liaison, exhibitions, celebrations, ceremonies, speeches, official representation at functions and participation in community activities. Also includes relationships with professional bodies and industry, the management of customer services, handling reactions to those services, customer consultation and feedback.

Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1060	Final version of internal formal reports and reports made to external agencies relating to the community relations function.	Destroy 5 years after action completed
1061	Final versions of periodic internal reports on general administrative matters used to monitor and document recurring activities to support the community relations function. Includes the collection and reporting of statistical information relating to visits.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
1062	Working papers documenting the development of all reports. Includes drafts and comments received.	Destroy when reference ceases
1063	Copies of community relations reports.	Destroy when reference ceases
1064	Responses to surveys carried out to support the community relations function.	Destroy 3 years after action completed

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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Representatives

The activities associated with the nomination, appointment or resignation of individuals or groups of personnel appointed by the organisation or their co-workers as official representatives to organisations, offices, unions, workers participation committees, councils or groups. Includes organisational legal representatives.

Entry No De

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1065



Records documenting the nomination, appointment and resignation from and/or termination of agency representatives in community organisations.

[For the management of agency representatives on government bodies, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Representatives.]

Destroy 3 years after last action

Research

The activities involved in investigating or enquiring into a subject or area of interest in order to discover facts, principles etc. Used to support the development of projects, standards, guidelines etc and the business activities of the organisation in general. Includes following up enquiries relating to organisational programs, projects, working papers, literature searches etc.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1066	Records documenting detailed research carried out to	Destroy 5 years
	support the community relations function.	after action completed
1067	Records documenting routine research carried out to support the community relations function.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Reviewing

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

Entry No Description of Records

1068

Records documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the community relations function. Includes documents establishing the review, final report and action plan.

Disposal Action

Destroy 3 years after action completed

1069

Working papers documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the community relations function.

Destroy 1 year after action completed

Security

The activities associated with measures taken to protect people, premises, equipment or information from accidental or intentional damage or from unauthorised access. Includes the security classification of personnel and criminal record checks.

Entry No

1070

Description of Records

Records documenting security arrangements made for visits to the agency by dignitaries and the general public.

Disposal Action

Destroy 5 years after last action

[For general arrangements for visits, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Visits.

For building security arrangements made for a visit, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Security.]

The function of establishing rapport with the community and raising and maintaining the organisation's broad public profile. Includes marketing, advertising, media liaison, exhibitions, celebrations, ceremonies, speeches, official representation at functions and participation in community activities. Also includes relationships with professional bodies and industry, the management of customer services, handling reactions to those services, customer consultation and feedback.

Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Submissions

The preparation and submission of a formal statement (eg report, statistics, etc) supporting a case or opinion held by the organisation which is submitted to another organisation, or within the organisation, for the purpose of either gain or support.

For submissions made within government, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1071 	Final version of successful agency submissions made to community organisations.	Destroy 7 years after action completed
1072	Final version of unsuccessful agency submissions made to community organisations.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
1073	Working papers documenting the development of agency submissions. Includes draft submissions.	Destroy when reference ceases

Suggestions

The process of using suggestions from personnel and the public to improve the services and processes of the organisation.

Entry No 1074	Description of Records Suggestions received from the public relating to agency services or products.	Disposal Action Destroy 2 years after action completed
	[For feedback received from the public, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Public Reaction.]	

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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Tendering

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 1075	Description of Records Records documenting the development and issue of tender documentation. Includes Statement of Requirements, Request for Proposals, Expression of Interest, Request for Tender (RFT) and draft contract.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1076	Evaluation of tenders received against selection criteria. Includes records documenting arrangements for carrying out the evaluation process, evaluation report, recommendations, final report and public notices.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1077 	Records documenting post-offer negotiations and due diligence checks.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1078	Records of unsuccessful tenders or a tender process where there is no suitable bidder, or where the tender process has been discontinued. Includes submissions, notification of outcome and reports on debriefing sessions.	Destroy 2 years after tender process completed or decision made not to continue with the tender
1079	Tender register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry
1080	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Western Australia.	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract

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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Tendering - Continued

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 1081	Description of Records Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia.	Disposal Action Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract
1082	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory.	Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
1083	Signed simple contracts and agreements resulting from tenders and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
1084	Contract register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry

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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Visits

The activities involved in arranging visits by other organisations, the public and students to the organisation, with a view to inform, educate or promote the services, operation and role of the organisation. Includes arranging visits by staff to other organisations.

For visits made by representatives of other agencies and interstate and overseas governments, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Visits.

For security arrangements made for the visits to the agency, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Security.

For keeping statistical information relating to visits, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Reporting

Entry No 1085	Description of Records Records documenting arrangements for visits or tours to the agency by the general public.	Disposal Action Destroy 2 years after last action
1086	Records documenting arrangements for visits made to the agency by important community representatives.	Destroy 5 years after action completed
1087	Records documenting visits by staff to community organisations to promote the image or services of the agency. Includes visit reports.	Destroy 2 years after last action
1088	Public visitor books.	Destroy 5 years after last entry
	[For visitor books signed by Royalty or Heads of State, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Visits.]	



The function of providing compensation to personnel and visitors injured while proceeding to or from work, during working hours or on the organisation's premises. Includes the rehabilitation of injured workers and compensation for damage to property where such damage is claimed as the organisation's responsibility. This function excludes Defence military personnel.

Accidents

The activities involved in dealing with mishaps causing injury or damage. Includes damage or injury to the organisation's property or member of staff incurred while coming to, at, or leaving work, or to the general public or visitors whilst on the organisation's premises. Also includes measures to prevent accidents occurring.

Entry No Description of Records

Disposal Action

N/A

N/A

[For accident reports sent to Comcare covering deaths, serious personal injury, incapacity and dangerous occurrences for both employees and members of the public, use OH&S - Accidents.

For accident reports submitted where an employee also submits a compensation claim, use COMPENSATION - Cases.

For accident reports submitted by an employee but where there is no compensation claim submitted, use PERSONNEL - Accident.

For accident reports submitted by members of the public where a compensation claim is lodged, use COMPENSATION - Claims.

For accident reports submitted by members of the public where there is no claim made for compensation, use OH&S - Accidents.]

Acquisition

The process of gaining ownership or use of property and other items or the provision of services required in the conduct of business through purchase or requisitions.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1089

Records documenting the acquisition of services to support the compensation function (eg employment of rehabilitation providers and case managers).

[For the acquisition of services through a tender process, use COMPENSATION - Tendering.

For the management of contracted out services, use COMPENSATION - Contracting-out.

For managing financial transactions supporting acquisition activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.]

Destroy 7 years after action completed

The function of providing compensation to personnel and visitors injured while proceeding to or from work, during working hours or on the organisation's premises. Includes the rehabilitation of injured workers and compensation for damage to property where such damage is claimed as the organisation's responsibility. This function excludes Defence military personnel.

Advice

The activities associated with offering opinions by or to the organisation as to an action or judgement. Includes the process of advising.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1090

Records documenting the receipt and provision of general advice to agency managers and employees on the compensation function. Includes the distribution of advice received from the lead agency responsible for the compensation function in the Commonwealth (currently Comcare).

Destroy 2 years after action completed

[For the provision of advice to an employee relating to a specific compensation case, use COMPENSATION - Cases.

For legal advice obtained on the management of specific cases, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice.]

Agreements

The processes associated with the establishment, maintenance, review and negotiation of agreements.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

N/A

[For the process of forming a return to work plan agreement, use COMPENSATION - Cases.

N/A

For the legal process of establishing deeds of release and deeds of indemnity and other like agreements relating to the settlement of compensation cases, use LEGAL SERVICES - Agreements.]

Appeals (decisions)

The activities involved in the process of appeals against decisions by application to a higher authority.

Entry No Description of Records

Disposal Action

N/A

[For managing records relating to an appeal lodged against any aspect of management of a compensation case, use COMPENSATION - Cases.]

N/A

The function of providing compensation to personnel and visitors injured while proceeding to or from work, during working hours or on the organisation's premises. Includes the rehabilitation of injured workers and compensation for damage to property where such damage is claimed as the organisation's responsibility. This function excludes Defence military personnel.

Authorisation

The process of delegating power to authorise an action and the seeking and granting permission to undertake a requested action.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1091 	Records documenting the delegation of power to the agency to make determinations on compensation claims.	Destroy 2 years after delegation expires
1092	Delegations of power to agency staff to authorise administrative action relating to the compensation function.	Destroy 7 years after delegation expires
1093	Authorisations for administrative action supporting the compensation function.	Destroy 7 years after action completed
1094	Records documenting the granting of licences to agencies to self-insure and/or manage their workers' compensation liabilities.	Destroy 1 year after licence expires

The function of providing compensation to personnel and visitors injured while proceeding to or from work, during working hours or on the organisation's premises. Includes the rehabilitation of injured workers and compensation for damage to property where such damage is claimed as the organisation's responsibility. This function excludes Defence military personnel.

Cases

This activity descriptor should be used where there is a need to keep a number of activities together on one file, for legislative or operational reasons. Case files relate to particular incidents, persons, organisations or clients.

Entry No

Description of Records

1095



Cases where a compensation claim has been submitted for personal injury, death, or loss or damage to personal property of the employee. Covers claims made under the Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988 and previous legislation. Includes:

- Accident reports and associated papers such as witness statements
- Claims
- Determinations
- Correspondence and notes of meeting and conversations with the lead agency (currently Comcare)
- Correspondence and notes on meetings or conversations with claimant
- · Appointment of a case manager or rehabilitation provider
- Return to work plan
- Progress reports
- Assessment reports
- Medical reports and certificates
- Claim reviews
- Appeal records (including reconsideration and appeals to Administrative Appeals Tribunal)
- Agreements entered into by the parties
- Legal records documenting any legal advice received and action taken in relation to the case.

[For records relating to claims made by public visitors, use COMPENSATION - Claims.]

Disposal Action

Destroy 75 years after date of birth of employee or 7 years after last action, whichever is longest If date of birth is unknown assume the person was 15 at the time of the accident

The function of providing compensation to personnel and visitors injured while proceeding to or from work, during working hours or on the organisation's premises. Includes the rehabilitation of injured workers and compensation for damage to property where such damage is claimed as the organisation's responsibility. This function excludes Defence military personnel.

Claims

The process of administering and managing payments demanded in accordance with an insurance policy as compensation for injury, death, or denial of rights of a person, or damage to or destruction of property. Includes disputes over rights and ownership, and recompense sought for stolen or lost property.

Entry No Description of Records Records documenting claim by members of the public m

Records documenting claims for compensation submitted by members of the public managed by an external insurance provider.

[For accident reports detailing accident/incidents by members of the public, use OH&S - Accidents.

For a claim submitted for compensation by an employee, use COMPENSATION - Cases.]

1097

Copies of claim reports submitted to the agency's central office for action or where claims are determined by the lead agency and are held separately to the agency case file.

Destroy 7 years after finalisation of the claim

Disposal Action

Destroy when reference ceases

The function of providing compensation to personnel and visitors injured while proceeding to or from work, during working hours or on the organisation's premises. Includes the rehabilitation of injured workers and compensation for damage to property where such damage is claimed as the organisation's responsibility. This function excludes Defence military personnel.

Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

1098



Records of internal and external committees formed to consider matters relating to the compensation function. Includes:

- · documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- · reports
- recommendations
- · supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

Disposal Action

Destroy 3 years after action completed

1099 Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of committees which consider matters relating to the compensation function. Includes:

Destroy when reference ceases

- agenda
- · notices of meetings
- · draft minutes.

Compliance

The activities associated with complying with mandatory or optional accountability, fiscal, legal, regulatory or quality standards or requirements to which the organisation is subject. Includes compliance with legislation and with national and international standards, such as the ISO 9000 series.

Other activities within this function may also be relevant to the Compliance activity.

1100

Entry No Description of Records

Records documenting agency compliance with mandatory or optional standards or with statutory requirements relating to the compensation function.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after action completed

The function of providing compensation to personnel and visitors injured while proceeding to or from work, during working hours or on the organisation's premises. Includes the rehabilitation of injured workers and compensation for damage to property where such damage is claimed as the organisation's responsibility. This function excludes Defence military personnel.

Contracting-out

The activities involved in managing the performance of work or the provision of goods and services by an external contractor, vendor or consultant, or by using external bureau services. Includes outsourcing.

For information on records issues relating to outsourcing and contracting-out see General Disposal Authority 25.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1101

Records documenting contract management relating to the compensation function eg for case managers and rehabilitation providers. Includes:

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract

- minutes of meetings with main stakeholders
- performance and evaluation reports.

Insurance

The process of taking out premiums to cover loss or damage to property or premises, and to cover customers and staff against injury or death resulting from incidents on the organisation's premises or whilst engaged during employment.

For compensation claims made by employees, use COMPENSATION - Cases.

For compensation claims made by members of the public, use COMPENSATION - Claims.

For managing financial transactions supporting insurance activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

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Description of Records

Disposal Action

1102

Compensation insurance policies.

Destroy 1 year after action completed

1103

Records documenting annual renewals and the management of premium payments. Includes salary statements, advice on premiums payable and any review of premiums levied by an insurance provider (eg Comcare and/or Comcover).

Destroy 10 years after action completed

The function of providing compensation to personnel and visitors injured while proceeding to or from work, during working hours or on the organisation's premises. Includes the rehabilitation of injured workers and compensation for damage to property where such damage is claimed as the organisation's responsibility. This function excludes Defence military personnel.

Leave

The process of administering leave for which staff are eligible. Includes unauthorised leave taken by staff.

Entry No Description of Records Disposal Action

N/A [For compensation leave, use COMPENSATION - Cases.] N/A

Payments

1104

The activities involved in the preparation and payment of money.

Entry No Description of Records

Records documenting the managing of payments for any compensation activity.

[For managing financial transactions supporting payment activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.]

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after action completed



The function of providing compensation to personnel and visitors injured while proceeding to or from work, during working hours or on the organisation's premises. Includes the rehabilitation of injured workers and compensation for damage to property where such damage is claimed as the organisation's responsibility. This function excludes Defence military personnel.

Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1105	Records documenting the development, establishment and review of the agency's compensation policies, including an agency's return to work policy. Includes:	Destroy 5 years after policy is superseded
	 policy proposals research papers results of consultations supporting reports major drafts final policy documents. 	
1106	Records documenting comments made on the development of government-wide compensation policies.	Destroy 3 years after promulgation of the new policy
1107	Working papers documenting the development of all compensation policies.	Destroy 3 years after promulgation of the new policy
1108	Copies of policy documents and supporting papers.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of providing compensation to personnel and visitors injured while proceeding to or from work, during working hours or on the organisation's premises. Includes the rehabilitation of injured workers and compensation for damage to property where such damage is claimed as the organisation's responsibility. This function excludes Defence military personnel.

Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1109	Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc detailing procedures supporting the compensation function. Includes procedures supporting the return to work process.	Destroy 5 years after procedures are superseded
	Records documenting the development of agency procedures supporting the compensation function.	Destroy 1 year after production of procedures
	Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc.	Destroy when reference ceases

Rehabilitation

The process of managing programs designed to restore the injured worker to the fullest physical, psychological, social, vocational and economic usefulness of which they are capable - consistent with pre-injury status. Includes early intervention with appropriate, adequate and timely services through the use of a Rehabilitation Coordinator.

Entry No N/A	Description of Records [For establishing an agency's return to work policy, use COMPENSATION - Policy.	Disposal Action N/A
	For establishing and implementing an individual employee's return to work plan, use COMPENSATION - Cases.	
	For rehabilitation carried out not associated with a compensation case, use PERSONNEL - Rehabilitation.]	

The function of providing compensation to personnel and visitors injured while proceeding to or from work, during working hours or on the organisation's premises. Includes the rehabilitation of injured workers and compensation for damage to property where such damage is claimed as the organisation's responsibility. This function excludes Defence military personnel.

Reviewing

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

For reviewing a compensation case, use COMPENSATION - Cases.

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Description of Records

Disposal Action



Records documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the compensation function. Includes documents establishing the review, final report and action plan.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

1113



Working papers documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the compensation function.

Destroy 2 years after action completed

The function of providing compensation to personnel and visitors injured while proceeding to or from work, during working hours or on the organisation's premises. Includes the rehabilitation of injured workers and compensation for damage to property where such damage is claimed as the organisation's responsibility. This function excludes Defence military personnel.

Tendering

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 1114	Description of Records Records documenting the development and issue of tender documentation. Includes Statement of Requirements, Request for Proposals, Expression of Interest, Request for Tender (RFT) and draft contract.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1115	Evaluation of tenders received against selection criteria. Includes records documenting arrangements for carrying out the evaluation process, evaluation report, recommendations, final report and public notices.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1116	Records documenting post-offer negotiations and due diligence checks.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1117	Records of unsuccessful tenders or a tender process where there is no suitable bidder, or where the tender process has been discontinued. Includes submissions, notification of outcome and reports on debriefing sessions.	Destroy 2 years after tender process completed or decision made not to continue with the tender
1118	Tender register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry
1119	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Western Australia	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract
1120	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia	Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract

COMPENSATION

The function of providing compensation to personnel and visitors injured while proceeding to or from work, during working hours or on the organisation's premises. Includes the rehabilitation of injured workers and compensation for damage to property where such damage is claimed as the organisation's responsibility. This function excludes Defence military personnel.

Tendering - Continued

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 1121	Description of Records Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory	Disposal Action Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
1122	Signed simple contracts and agreements resulting from tenders and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
1123	Contract register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry



The function of acquiring, supplying, maintaining, repairing and disposing of equipment and stores stocked and used by the organisation. Items of equipment include instruments, implements, tools, machines, plant, furniture and furnishings. Stores include chemicals, hardware, homeware items, kitchen/cleaning items, medical supplies and stationery. Excludes equipment and stores acquired to support the Defence combat function.

Acquisition

The process of gaining ownership or use of property and other items or the provision of services required in the conduct of business through purchase or requisitions.

For the acquisition of equipment and stores through a tender process, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Tendering.

For managing financial transactions supporting acquisition activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

For entry of equipment and stores into the agency's Asset Register, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Asset Register.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1124



Records documenting the acquisition of equipment and stores where there is no tender or contracting-out process (ie where the cost of the acquisition is below the threshold for tendering or where a purchase is made against a period contract). Includes:

Destroy 7 years after action completed

- · formal requests for quotes
- orders
- handover reports
- correspondence relating to the acquisition.

[For the assessment of suitability of equipment and stores and the preparation of specifications, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Evaluation.]

1125



Investigations into acquisition of equipment and stores not proceeded with.

Destroy 1 year after action completed

1126



Information provided by vendors relating to equipment and stores.

Destroy when reference ceases

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Agreements

The processes associated with the establishment, maintenance, review and negotiation of agreements.

For leasing of equipment and stores, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Leasing and/or EQUIPMENT & STORES - Leasing-out.

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Description of Records

Disposal Action



Final version of agreements with vendors or other agencies to provide equipment and stores (eg Memoranda of Understanding).

Destroy 7 years after expiry or other termination of agreement

1128



Records documenting negotiations, establishment, maintenance and review of agreements.

Destroy 7 years after expiry or other termination of agreement

Allocation

The process of assigning of money, items, or equipment to employees or organisational units.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1129

Records held by the area responsible for the management of the function relating to the allocation of equipment or stores to individuals or organisational units. Includes requests for issue of equipment or stores.

Destroy 2 years after action completed

[For the distribution of equipment and stores, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Distribution.]

1130



Records held by the requesting area relating to the allocation of equipment or stores to individuals or organisational units.

Destroy when reference ceases

HEALTH & SAFETY - Compliance.]

EQUIPMENT & STORES

The function of acquiring, supplying, maintaining, repairing and disposing of equipment and stores stocked and used by the organisation. Items of equipment include instruments, implements, tools, machines, plant, furniture and furnishings. Stores include chemicals, hardware, homeware items, kitchen/cleaning items, medical supplies and stationery. Excludes equipment and stores acquired to support the Defence combat function.

Arrangements

The activities involved in arranging for a journey or trip. Includes preparing travel itineraries, authorisations, entitlements etc. Also includes arrangements made for the delivery of equipment or goods and the usage made of facilities, vehicles, equipment and space.

For arrangements for the removal and/or storage of personal effects, use PERSONNEL - Moving.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1131	Records documenting arrangements for the delivery of equipment and stores to an agency.	Destroy when reference ceases
	[For the dispatch of equipment or stores within an agency or from an agency, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Distribution.]	
1132	Records documenting the storage of equipment and stores	Destroy when
	(excluding hazardous materials) within an agency. Includes location management and stock control.	reference ceases
1133	Records documenting the storage of hazardous equipment and stores (ie unused material) within an agency. Includes location management.	Destroy 5 years after action completed
	[For storage of hazardous waste prior to disposal, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Maintenance.	
	For Hazardous Substance Register, use OCCUPATIONAL	

The function of acquiring, supplying, maintaining, repairing and disposing of equipment and stores stocked and used by the organisation. Items of equipment include instruments, implements, tools, machines, plant, furniture and furnishings. Stores include chemicals, hardware, homeware items, kitchen/cleaning items, medical supplies and stationery. Excludes equipment and stores acquired to support the Defence combat function.

Audit

The activities associated with officially checking financial, quality assurance and operational records to ensure they have been kept and maintained in accordance with agreed or legislated standards and correctly record the events, processes and business of the organisation in a specified period. Includes compliance audits, financial audits, operational audits, recordkeeping audits, skills audits, system audits and quality assurance audits.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1134

Final internal and external audit reports relating to the equipment and stores function.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

1135



Records documenting the planning and conduct of internal and external audits relating to the equipment and stores function. Includes:

Destroy 2 years after action completed

- · liaison with the auditing body
- · minutes of meetings
- notes taken at opening and exit interviews
- · draft report
- · comments.

Authorisation

The process of delegating power to authorise an action and the seeking and granting permission to undertake a requested action.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1136

Delegations of power to agency staff to authorise administrative action relating to the equipment and stores function.

Destroy 7 years after delegation expires

1137



Authorisations for administrative action supporting the equipment and stores function.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

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Claims

The process of administering and managing payments demanded in accordance with an insurance policy as compensation for injury, death, or denial of rights of a person, or damage to or destruction of property. Includes disputes over rights and ownership, and recompense sought for stolen or lost property.

Entry No 1138

Description of Records

Disposal Action



Records documenting insurance claims for damage and loss incurred to equipment and stores.

Destroy 7 years after finalisation or withdrawal of claim

[For the management of insurance policies, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Insurance.]

Compliance

The activities associated with complying with mandatory or optional accountability, fiscal, legal, regulatory or quality standards or requirements to which the organisation is subject. Includes compliance with legislation and with national and international standards, such as the ISO 9000 series.

Other activities within this function may also be relevant to the Compliance activity.

Entry No

1139

Description of Records

Disposal Action

Records documenting agency compliance with mandatory or with optional standards or with statutory requirements relating to the equipment and stores function.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

[For the licensing processes for the operation of plant items, use OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY (OH&S) - Compliance.]

Construction

The process of making or building something.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1140

Records documenting the in-house construction of equipment and plant.

Destroy 7 years after disposal of asset



[For the design of equipment and plant, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Evaluation.

For establishing and managing the intellectual property of agency-designed equipment and plant, use LEGAL SERVICES - Intellectual Property.]

The function of acquiring, supplying, maintaining, repairing and disposing of equipment and stores stocked and used by the organisation. Items of equipment include instruments, implements, tools, machines, plant, furniture and furnishings. Stores include chemicals, hardware, homeware items, kitchen/cleaning items, medical supplies and stationery. Excludes equipment and stores acquired to support the Defence combat function.

Contracting-out

The activities involved in managing the performance of work or the provision of goods and services by an external contractor, vendor or consultant, or by using external bureau services. Includes outsourcing.

For information on records issues relating to outsourcing and contracting-out see General Disposal Authority 25.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1141



Records documenting contract management relating to the equipment and stores function. Includes:

- Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
- minutes of meetings with main stakeholders
- performance and evaluation reports.

Disposal

The process of disposing of property no longer required by the organisation, by sale, transfer, termination of lease, auction, donation or destruction. Includes destruction or transfer to archives, and the program of activities to facilitate the orderly transfer of semi-active and inactive records from current office space into storage.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1142



Records documenting the disposal of leased equipment and stores. Includes written notices and correspondence to and from leasing companies in relation to return of equipment and stores, handover reports and notifications that an agency or their nominee wish to purchase equipment and stores.

Destroy 3 years after disposal

1143

Records documenting the disposal of Commonwealthowned equipment and stores. Includes independent valuation certificates verifying that work undertaken on assets was done prior to valuation, written quotes, auction records and routine forms and correspondence relating to the disposal of equipment and stores.

Destroy 7 years after disposal

[For the disposal of equipment and stores by tender, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Tendering.

For the removal of items from the agency's asset register, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Asset Register.]

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Distribution

The activities associated with disseminating items, correspondence, or publications through sales, deliveries, or other customer services.

Entry No	
1144	

Description of Records

Records documenting the distribution of equipment and stores within an office of an agency.

[For requests for issue of equipment and stores, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Allocation.]

Disposal Action

Destroy when reference ceases



Records documenting the distribution of equipment and stores to other locations (including other offices of the agency). Includes consignment notes.

[For arrangements relating to the receipt of equipment and stores, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Arrangements.

For arrangements relating to the distribution of equipment and stores via mail services, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Distribution.

For managing financial transactions supporting the distribution activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.]

Destroy 7 years after action completed

The function of acquiring, supplying, maintaining, repairing and disposing of equipment and stores stocked and used by the organisation. Items of equipment include instruments, implements, tools, machines, plant, furniture and furnishings. Stores include chemicals, hardware, homeware items, kitchen/cleaning items, medical supplies and stationery. Excludes equipment and stores acquired to support the Defence combat function.

Evaluation

The process of determining the suitability of potential or existing programs, items of equipment, systems or services in relation to meeting the needs of the given situation. Includes systems analysis and ongoing monitoring.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1146

Initial evaluation of equipment and stores requirements. Includes assessment of whole-of-government solutions (ie period contracts, buyers guides, endorsed suppliers). Includes justification of decision not to proceed with such solutions.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

[For the acquisition of equipment and stores, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Acquisition.

For the re-evaluation of existing equipment and stores, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Reviewing.]

1147



Records documenting the development and issue of specifications for equipment and stores (including purpose-built equipment and stores).

Destroy 7 years after action completed

Inspections

The process of official examinations of facilities, equipment and items, to ensure compliance with agreed standards and objectives.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1148

Records documenting inspections of equipment and stores.

Destroy 3 years after action completed

[For formal audits, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Audit.

For stocktakes, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Stocktakes.

For inspections relating to occupational health and safety, use OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY (OH&S) - Inspections.]

The function of acquiring, supplying, maintaining, repairing and disposing of equipment and stores stocked and used by the organisation. Items of equipment include instruments, implements, tools, machines, plant, furniture and furnishings. Stores include chemicals, hardware, homeware items, kitchen/cleaning items, medical supplies and stationery. Excludes equipment and stores acquired to support the Defence combat function.

Installation

Activities involved in placing equipment in position and connecting and adjusting it for use.

Entry No 1149	Description of Records Records documenting the installation and initial configuration of equipment and plant.	Disposal Action Destroy 2 years after action completed
	[For the installation of equipment and plant within a building, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Installation.]	
1150	Records documenting the reconfiguration and adjustment of equipment and plant after initial installation.	Destroy 1 year after either the next reconfiguration or when the equipment is disposed of, whichever is the earlier

Insurance

The process of taking out premiums to cover loss or damage to property or premises, and to cover customers and staff against injury or death resulting from incidents on the organisation's premises or whilst engaged during employment.

For insurance claims lodged, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Claims.

For managing financial transactions supporting insurance activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1151	Insurance policies covering equipment and stores.	Destroy 7 years after policy expires
1152	Records documenting the annual renewal of insurance policies.	Destroy 1 year after action completed

The function of acquiring, supplying, maintaining, repairing and disposing of equipment and stores stocked and used by the organisation. Items of equipment include instruments, implements, tools, machines, plant, furniture and furnishings. Stores include chemicals, hardware, homeware items, kitchen/cleaning items, medical supplies and stationery. Excludes equipment and stores acquired to support the Defence combat function.

Inventory

The activities associated with listing and preparing lists of items and assets in the possession of the organisation.

Entry No

Description of Records

Records documenting the listing of equipment and stores

1153

items.

Disposal ActionDestroy when reference ceases

[For formal stocktakes of equipment and stores, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Stocktake.

For making subsequent changes to the agency's asset register, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Asset Register.]

Leasing

The activities involved in leasing items, equipment, accommodation, premises or real estate from another organisation. Includes the process of chartering.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1154

Records documenting the administration and management of leased equipment. Includes reports received from leasing companies and signed leases.

Destroy 7 years after lease expires or is terminated

[For the activities associated with acquiring leased equipment, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Acquisition.

For the disposal of leased equipment, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Disposal.

For the maintenance of leased equipment, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Maintenance.

For Fringe Benefit Tax reports received from a leasing company, use PERSONNEL - Salaries.

For managing financial transactions supporting leasing activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.]

The function of acquiring, supplying, maintaining, repairing and disposing of equipment and stores stocked and used by the organisation. Items of equipment include instruments, implements, tools, machines, plant, furniture and furnishings. Stores include chemicals, hardware, homeware items, kitchen/cleaning items, medical supplies and stationery. Excludes equipment and stores acquired to support the Defence combat function.

Leasing-out

The activities involved in leasing-out items, equipment, accommodation, premises or real estate to another organisation or person for a specified period and agreed price. Includes the formal documentation setting out conditions, rights, responsibilities etc. of both parties. Also includes subleasing.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1155

Arrangements for the leasing-out of agency equipment to other bodies. Includes signed leases.

Destroy 7 years after lease expires or is terminated

[For managing financial transactions supporting leasing-out activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.]

Maintenance

The activities associated with the upkeep, repair, servicing, modification and preservation of internal/external conditions of premises, equipment, vehicles etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1156

Records documenting the maintenance of equipment and stores.

Destroy 3 years after action completed



[For the management of contracts relating to maintenance, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Contracting-Out.]

The function of acquiring, supplying, maintaining, repairing and disposing of equipment and stores stocked and used by the organisation. Items of equipment include instruments, implements, tools, machines, plant, furniture and furnishings. Stores include chemicals, hardware, homeware items, kitchen/cleaning items, medical supplies and stationery. Excludes equipment and stores acquired to support the Defence combat function.

Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1157

Records documenting the development and establishment of the agency's equipment and stores policies. Includes:

Destroy 3 years after policy is superseded

- · policy proposals
- research papers
- working papers
- results of consultations
- supporting reports
- · major drafts
- final policy documents.

1158

Copies of policy documents and supporting papers.

Destroy when reference ceases



The function of acquiring, supplying, maintaining, repairing and disposing of equipment and stores stocked and used by the organisation. Items of equipment include instruments, implements, tools, machines, plant, furniture and furnishings. Stores include chemicals, hardware, homeware items, kitchen/cleaning items, medical supplies and stationery. Excludes equipment and stores acquired to support the Defence combat function.

Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No 1159	Description of Records Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc detailing procedures supporting the equipment and stores function.	Disposal Action Destroy when procedures are superseded
1160	Records documenting the development of agency procedures supporting the equipment and stores function.	Destroy 1 year after production of procedures
1161 	Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc.	Destroy when reference ceases
1162	Operating manuals and instructions for equipment, plant and stores.	Destroy when reference ceases or transfer to new owner on disposal of equipment, Plant or stores

Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

Entry No D

Description of Records

1163

Records relating to reporting on activities involved in the equipment and stores function. Includes:

- working papers
- · comments received
- · draft reports
- final documents.

Disposal Action

Destroy 2 years after action completed

The function of acquiring, supplying, maintaining, repairing and disposing of equipment and stores stocked and used by the organisation. Items of equipment include instruments, implements, tools, machines, plant, furniture and furnishings. Stores include chemicals, hardware, homeware items, kitchen/cleaning items, medical supplies and stationery. Excludes equipment and stores acquired to support the Defence combat function.

Reviewing

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

Entry No

1164

Description of Records

Records documenting a review of agency programs and

Includes documents establishing the review, final report, action plan and identification of further problems needing

operations supporting the equipment and stores function.

rectification.

Disposal Action

Destroy 3 years after action completed

1165



Working papers documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the equipment and stores

function.

Destroy 1 year after action completed

Risk Management

The process involving the identification of risks, the likelihood and consequences of those risks, and the implementation of appropriate practice and procedures to treat the risks.

See also the Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) function.

Entry No

Description of Records

1166 Records documenting risk management relating to the equipment and stores function. Includes records covering each stage of the process, treatment schedules and action plans.

Disposal Action Destroy 7 years

after next risk assessment

1167 Equipment and stores risk register.

Destroy 7 years after next risk assessment

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Security

The activities associated with measures taken to protect people, premises, equipment or information from accidental or intentional damage or from unauthorised access. Includes the security classification of personnel and criminal record checks.

For theft or damage involving agency staff use, PERSONNEL - Discipline.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1168

Records documenting the management of activities undertaken to protect equipment and stores. Includes investigations into theft or intentional damage and referral of an alleged incident to law enforcement authorities.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

[For disciplinary action resulting from a breach of the law involving APS employees, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.

For breaches involving information, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Security.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Security.]

For breaches involving technology, use TECHNOLOGY &

1169



Records documenting combinations and/or keys for equipment or plant, such as safes, filing cabinets. Includes key register.

Destroy when reference ceases

[For combinations or keys to security containers which are built into the building, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT -Security.]

Stocktake

The activities associated with the examination, counting and valuing of goods in the organisation with the view to reassessing the need for replacing those goods, and to identify missing items and determine the condition of the existing items.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1170

Records documenting the stocktake of equipment and stores.

Destroy 3 years after action completed

[For lists of equipment and stores, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Inventory.]

The function of acquiring, supplying, maintaining, repairing and disposing of equipment and stores stocked and used by the organisation. Items of equipment include instruments, implements, tools, machines, plant, furniture and furnishings. Stores include chemicals, hardware, homeware items, kitchen/cleaning items, medical supplies and stationery. Excludes equipment and stores acquired to support the Defence combat function.

Tendering

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 1171	Description of Records Records documenting the development and issue of tender documentation. Includes Statement of Requirements, Request for Proposals, Expression of Interest, Request for Tender (RFT) and draft contract.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1172	Evaluation of tenders received against selection criteria. Includes records documenting arrangements for carrying out the evaluation process, evaluation report, recommendations, final report and public notices.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1173	Records documenting post-offer negotiations and due diligence checks.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1174 	Records of unsuccessful tenders or a tender process where there is no suitable bidder, or where the tender process has been discontinued. Includes submissions, notification of outcome and reports on debriefing sessions.	Destroy 2 years after tender process completed or decision made not to continue with the tender
1175	Tender register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry
1176	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Western Australia.	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract
1177	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia.	Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract

The function of acquiring, supplying, maintaining, repairing and disposing of equipment and stores stocked and used by the organisation. Items of equipment include instruments, implements, tools, machines, plant, furniture and furnishings. Stores include chemicals, hardware, homeware items, kitchen/cleaning items, medical supplies and stationery. Excludes equipment and stores acquired to support the Defence combat function.

Tendering - Continued

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 1178	Description of Records Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory.	Disposal Action Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
1179	Signed simple contracts and agreements resulting from tenders and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
1180	Contract register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry



The function of establishing and changing the organisational structure. Including moving employees from one agency to another and reducing and increasing an agency's staffing levels. Also includes internal reorganisations to meet agency goals.

Note: Before using this Authority, agencies that employ staff under legislation other than the Public Service Act 1999 should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations from the Public Service Act. In cases where the variations differ greatly the Administrative Functions Disposal Authority is not applicable and should not be used. Coverage in such circumstances must be included under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Advice

The activities associated with offering opinions by or to the organisation as to an action or judgement. Includes the process of advising.

Entry No	Description	of Records
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1181

Records documenting the receipt and provision of advice on the establishment function.

Disposal Action

Destroy 2 years after action completed

Authorisation

The process of delegating power to authorise an action and the seeking and granting permission to undertake a requested action.

Entry No	Description	of Records
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1182

Delegations of power to agency staff to authorise administrative action relating to the establishment function.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after delegation expires

1183



Authorisations for administrative actions relating to the establishment function.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

The function of establishing and changing the organisational structure. Including moving employees from one agency to another and reducing and increasing an agency's staffing levels. Also includes internal reorganisations to meet agency goals.

Note: Before using this Authority, agencies that employ staff under legislation other than the Public Service Act 1999 should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations from the Public Service Act. In cases where the variations differ greatly the Administrative Functions Disposal Authority is not applicable and should not be used. Coverage in such circumstances must be included under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

For records of high-level corporate committees responsible for the overall strategic directions of an agency, including establishment structures, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Committees.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1184



Records of internal and external committees formed to consider matters relating to the establishment function. Includes:

Destroy 5 years after action completed

- documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- reports
- · recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

Destroy when reference ceases



Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of committees which consider matters relating to the establishment function. Includes:

- agenda
- notices of meetings
- draft minutes.

Evaluation

The process of determining the suitability of potential or existing programs, items of equipment, systems or services in relation to meeting the needs of the given situation. Includes systems analysis and ongoing monitoring.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1186



Records documenting the evaluation of positions and assigned duties of employees against existing or planned organisational structures to support corporate requirements and resource needs.

Destroy 5 years after last action

The function of establishing and changing the organisational structure. Including moving employees from one agency to another and reducing and increasing an agency's staffing levels. Also includes internal reorganisations to meet agency goals.

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Meetings

The activities associated with ad-hoc gatherings held to formulate, discuss, update, or resolve issues and matters pertaining to the management of the section, department, or organisation as a whole. Includes arrangements, agenda, taking of minutes etc. Excludes committee meetings.

Entry No 1187	Description of Records Final version of minutes and supporting documents tabled at meetings held to support the establishment function. Includes meetings with external agencies.	Disposal Action Destroy 3 years after action completed
1188	Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of meetings held to support the establishment function. Includes agenda, notices of meetings and draft minutes.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Note: Before using this Authority, agencies that employ staff under legislation other than the Public Service Act 1999 should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations from the Public Service Act. In cases where the variations differ greatly the Administrative Functions Disposal Authority is not applicable and should not be used. Coverage in such circumstances must be included under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Planning

The process of formulating ways in which objectives can be achieved. Includes determination of services, needs and solutions to those needs.

For corporate plans that include the establishment structure of the agency, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Planning.

Entry No 1189	Description of Records Final version of agency-wide establishment plans.	Disposal Action Destroy 10 years after plan is superseded
1190	Final version of a section or business unit's establishment plans, including state, regional or overseas office.	Destroy 3 years after plan is superseded
1191 	Working papers used in developing all establishment plans. Includes draft plans, reports analysing issues, and comments received and input made by other areas of the agency.	Destroy 1 year after adoption of the final plan
1192	Copies of all establishment plans.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1193	Records documenting the development and establishment of the agency's establishment policies. Includes:	Destroy 10 years after policy is superseded
	 policy proposals research papers results of consultations supporting reports major drafts final policy documents. 	•
1194	Records documenting comments made on the development of government-wide establishment policies.	Destroy 3 years after promulgation of the new policy
1195	Working papers documenting the development of all establishment policies.	Destroy 3 years after promulgation of the new policy
1196	Copies of policy documents and supporting papers.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1197 	Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc detailing procedures supporting the establishment function.	Destroy when procedures are superseded
1198	Records documenting the development of agency procedures supporting the establishment function.	Destroy 1 year after production of procedures
1199	Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Note: Before using this Authority, agencies that employ staff under legislation other than the Public Service Act 1999 should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations from the Public Service Act. In cases where the variations differ greatly the Administrative Functions Disposal Authority is not applicable and should not be used. Coverage in such circumstances must be included under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1200	Final version of formal internal reports and reports made to external agencies relating to the establishment function.	Destroy 5 years after report is completed
1201	Final version of periodic reports on general administrative matters used to monitor and document recurring activities to support the establishment function.	Destroy 3 years after report is completed
1202	Working papers documenting the development of all reports. Includes drafts and comments received.	Destroy 1 year after report is completed
1203	Copies of establishment reports.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Restructuring

The activities involved in the reassessment of the activities, goals and structure of an organisation. Includes consideration of the number of staff, their position descriptions, equipment, and other resources required to meet objectives.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1204

Records documenting the establishment and development of a new agency structure. Includes:

Destroy 10 years after last action

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 - copies of instruments giving effect to the machinery of government changes (including transfers of functions in and out of the Commonwealth) and details provided to facilitate administrative rearrangements relating to the transfer of functions and employees to other agencies
 - records documenting an internal restructure

[For agreements between transferred employees and the receiving agency relating to remuneration and conditions of employment, use PERSONNEL - Agreements.]

1205



Records documenting agency adoption of new work level standards.

Destroy 7 years after standards are superseded

1206



Agency-wide organisational charts produced after major restructure eg a machinery of government change or an extensive internal restructure held by the area of the agency responsible for the establishment function.

Retain as national archives

1207



Copies of agency-wide organisation charts held in other areas of the agency, or charts showing lower levels of the organisation.

Destroy when reference ceases

The function of establishing and changing the organisational structure. Including moving employees from one agency to another and reducing and increasing an agency's staffing levels. Also includes internal reorganisations to meet agency goals.

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Reviewing

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1208	Records documenting a review and reassessment of agency organisational structures against identified corporate requirements.	Destroy 10 years after action completed
1209	Records documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the establishment function. Includes documents establishing the review, final report and action plan.	Destroy 5 years after action completed
1210	Working papers supporting the conduct of an agency review.	Destroy 2 years after action completed

Vacancies

The activities associated with managing positions in the organisation that are currently unoccupied.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1211	Records documenting the management of vacancies.	Destroy 1 year after last action

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Variations

The activities involved in varying the organisation's condition, character or nature of processes and other things that are not physical objects. Includes creating and abolishing individual positions.

For the assignment of duties to individual employees, use PERSONNEL - Employment Conditions.

Entry No Description of Records

1212

Records documenting the creation, variation, abolition, transfer or reclassification of positions and assigned duties. Includes authorised establishment variation authorities, position profiles and selection criteria.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after position or assigned duties have been abolished or altered

1213



Applications to vary positions and assigned duties not approved or proceeded with.

Destroy 3 years after last action

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

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Accounting

The process of collecting, recording, classifying, summarising and analysing information on financial transactions, and subsequently on the financial position and operating results of the organisation. Includes financial statements, and the implementation, maintenance, monitoring and auditing of the organisation's accounting systems and internal controls.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1214



Principal accounting records and associated supporting records managing the agency's revenue and expenditure. Includes:

Destroy 7 years after last action

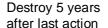
- journals
- ledgers
- receipt and revenue records
- · sales and purchase invoices
- cheque records, eg cheque butts or computerised cheque issue records
- payment records (including payments for allowances and act of grace payments)
- · petty cash records
- cash books
- · credit notes
- advance registers and associated records
- creditor and debtor registers and lists.



1215

Records documenting taxation matters. Includes:

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- assessment of Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT)
- assessment and payment of Goods and Services Tax (GST), including business activity statements and tax invoices
- requests for exemption from Wholesale Sales Tax.

[For taxation records required for the payment of employee salaries and wages, eg tax declaration forms, use PERSONNEL - Salaries.]

1216

Records documenting the establishment of bank accounts.

Destroy 7 years after account has been closed



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Accounting - Continued

The process of collecting, recording, classifying, summarising and analysing information on financial transactions, and subsequently on the financial position and operating results of the organisation. Includes financial statements, and the implementation, maintenance, monitoring and auditing of the organisation's accounting systems and internal controls.

Disposal Action Entry No Description of Records Destroy 7 years 1217 Records documenting the management of banking activities. Includes: after last action deposit records · bank statements • bank reconciliation statements · investment and dividend statements. 1218 Records documenting the use of agency credit cards. Destroy 7 years Includes: after action completed · credit card receipts · monthly statements. [For authorisations associated with using credit cards, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Authorisation] 1219

Finance reports. Includes regular accrual reports eg operating statements, statements of financial position, cash flow statements and periodic accrual statements.

Destroy 7 years after last action

1220

Records documenting the management of debt recovery. Includes correspondence and notices issued to debtors and records of negotiations including write-off and waiver arrangements.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

 Records documenting the management of incidental benefits received by agency personnel in the course of their official duties, eg frequent flyer points.

Destroy 7 years after last action

 Administrative records used for control and accountability in handling money and financial records, ie records which do not document agency revenue and expenditure. Includes hand-over or take-over certificates, and reconciliations other than bank reconciliation statements.

Destroy 2 years after last action

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Accounting - Continued

The process of collecting, recording, classifying, summarising and analysing information on financial transactions, and subsequently on the financial position and operating results of the organisation. Includes financial statements, and the implementation, maintenance, monitoring and auditing of the organisation's accounting systems and internal controls.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1223	Records documenting the management of surplus, obsolete or damaged accountable forms.	Destroy 7 years after write-off action completed
1224	Copies of receipts, invoices and other accounting records processed at the central office or at another part of the agency, documenting agency revenue and expenditure.	Destroy 2 years after last action
1225	Records documenting the process of output costings.	Destroy 7 years after last action
1226	Records documenting the agency's chart of accounts.	Destroy 7 years after action completed

Acquisition

The process of gaining ownership or use of property and other items or the provision of services required in the conduct of business through purchase or requisitions.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1227	Financial records documenting the acquisition of items. Includes requisitions and order forms.	Destroy 7 years after last action
	[For payments for acquisitions, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/ or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.]	

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Advice

The activities associated with offering opinions by or to the organisation as to an action or judgement. Includes the process of advising.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1228

Records relating to the receipt and provision of advice on the financial management function. Destroy 7 years after action completed

Agreements

The processes associated with the establishment, maintenance, review and negotiation of agreements.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1229

Final version of agreements made relating to the financial management function (eg credit card contracts).

Destroy 7 years after expiry or other termination of agreement

1230



Records documenting negotiations, establishment, maintenance and review of agreements.

Destroy 7 years after expiry or other termination of agreement

Allocation

The process of assigning of money, items, or equipment to employees or organisational units.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1231

Records documenting internal fund allocations. Includes restrictions and variations to funding allocations.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

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Asset Register

The activities involved in recording in a subsidiary ledger all fixed assets owned by the organisation. Includes the date of purchase, depreciation expense, written down value as well as stocktaking and auditing notations.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1232	Asset registers.	Destroy 7 years
		after disposal of
		asset



Records documenting asset valuation and asset management processes, including requests for inclusion on the asset register.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

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Audit

The activities associated with officially checking financial, quality assurance and operational records to ensure they have been kept and maintained in accordance with agreed or legislated standards and correctly record the events, processes and business of the organisation in a specified period. Includes compliance audits, financial audits, operational audits, recordkeeping audits, skills audits, system audits and quality assurance audits.

For the management of an agency's internal audit committee, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Committees.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1234

Final report of an internal or external financial audit (eg conducted by an external authority such as the Australian National Audit Office) where:

Destroy 10 years after action completed

- the audit report is qualified by the Auditor-General
- there are major or significant changes to agency practices.

Includes recommendations and implementation plans.

1235



Final report of an internal or external financial audit (eg conducted by an external authority such as the Australian National Audit Office) where:

Destroy 5 years after action completed

- the audit report has been accepted by the Auditor-General
- there are no changes or only minor or routine changes to agency practices.

Includes recommendations and implementation plans.

1236



Records documenting the planning and conduct of internal and external audits relating to the financial management function. Includes: Destroy 3 years after action completed

- liaison with the auditing body
- · minutes of meetings
- notes taken at opening and exit interviews
- draft report
- comments
- declarations nominating accounts exempted from normal disclosure.

The function of managing the organisation's financial resources. Includes establishing, operating, and maintaining accounting systems, controls and procedures, financial planning, framing budgets and budget submissions, obtaining grants, managing funds in the form of allocations from the Consolidated Revenue Fund and revenue from charging, trading and investments. Also includes the monitoring and analysis of assets to assist the delivery of economic and social services to government, industry and the community.

Authorisation

The process of delegating power to authorise an action and the seeking and granting permission to undertake a requested action.

Entry No Description of Records

1237

Delegations of power to agency staff to authorise financial activities and transactions (eg delegation to approve expenditure or appointment of an officer to countersign cheques).

Disposal Action

Destroy 10 years after delegation superseded

1238



Authorisations for administrative actions relating to financial management (eg authorisation to permit an overdraft from a public account or an authorisation to collect money on behalf of another person).

Destroy 10 years after action completed

The function of managing the organisation's financial resources. Includes establishing, operating, and maintaining accounting systems, controls and procedures, financial planning, framing budgets and budget submissions, obtaining grants, managing funds in the form of allocations from the Consolidated Revenue Fund and revenue from charging, trading and investments. Also includes the monitoring and analysis of assets to assist the delivery of economic and social services to government, industry and the community.

Budgeting

The process of planning the use of expected income and expenditure over a specified period.

Entry No 1239	Description of Records Budget estimates and associated records prepared for external approval (eg approval from the parent department of an agency or Ministerial approval). Includes portfolio budget statements.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after action completed
1240	Budget estimates produced for internal use by the agency.	Destroy 7 years after action completed
1241	Background records used for the production of whole of agency budget estimates by the coordinating element of the agency (eg the central office of an agency). Includes working papers and calculations and their collation.	Destroy 4 years after action completed
1242	Records documenting spending progress or revenue collection against allocations within the budget estimates.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
1243	Records documenting the input by state and regional offices or individual programs within an agency to the whole of agency budget estimates. Includes working documents and calculations.	Destroy 2 years after action completed

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Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

For the management of an agency's internal Audit Committee, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Committees.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1244

Records of internal and external committees formed to consider matters relating to the financial management function. Includes:

Destroy 7 years after action completed

- · documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

1245



Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of committees which consider matters relating to the financial management function. Includes:

Destroy 3 years after action completed

- agenda
- · notices of meetings
- draft minutes.

Compliance

The activities associated with complying with mandatory or optional accountability, fiscal, legal, regulatory or quality standards or requirements to which the organisation is subject. Includes compliance with legislation and with national and international standards, such as the ISO 9000 series.

Other activities within this function may also be relevant to the Compliance activity.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1246

Records documenting agency compliance with mandatory or optional accountability requirements relating to the financial management function. Includes registration of:

Destroy 7 years after registration lapses or is superseded

- Australian Business Number (ABN)
- Australian Company Number (ACN)
- Data Universal Numbering System Number (DUNS).

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Contracting-out

The activities involved in managing the performance of work or the provision of goods and services by an external contractor, vendor or consultant, or by using external bureau services. Includes outsourcing.

For information on records issues relating to outsourcing and contracting-out see General Disposal Authority 25.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1247

Records documenting contract management relating to the financial management function. Includes:

- minutes of meetings with main stakeholders
- performance and evaluation reports.

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract

Corruption

The processes which allow the disclosure of corruption, and strategies for the prevention of corruption. Includes involvement in corruption prevention projects and the education of staff about corruption disclosures.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

N/A

[For activities relating to the disclosure and prevention of corruption, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Fraud.]

N/A

Donations

The activities associated with managing money, items, artefacts or property donated to the organisation, or by the organisation and or its staff to charities etc. Includes managing unsolicited donations.

Entry No Description of Records

Disposal Action

1248

Records documenting the management of donations of

Destroy 7 years after action completed



money to and by the agency.

[For other records documenting the management of donations received from public sources, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Donations.]

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Evaluation

The process of determining the suitability of potential or existing programs, items of equipment, systems or services in relation to meeting the needs of the given situation. Includes systems analysis and ongoing monitoring.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1249

Records documenting the evaluation of potential or existing programs and services supporting the financial management function.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

Financial Statements

The process of compiling annual statements presented in prescribed tabular form showing receipts and payments, both actual and budgeted for the current financial year and the actual amounts received or paid for the previous financial year.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1250



Annual financial statements or formal interim financial statements, and background documentation. Includes annual statements of assets and liabilities, operating statement of financial position, balance sheets and statements of cash flows.

[For regular accrual reports, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting.]

Destroy 7 years after action completed

The function of managing the organisation's financial resources. Includes establishing, operating, and maintaining accounting systems, controls and procedures, financial planning, framing budgets and budget submissions, obtaining grants, managing funds in the form of allocations from the Consolidated Revenue Fund and revenue from charging, trading and investments. Also includes the monitoring and analysis of assets to assist the delivery of economic and social services to government, industry and the community.

Fraud

The processes which allow the disclosure of fraud, and strategies for the prevention of fraud. Includes involvement in fraud prevention projects and the education of staff about fraud disclosures.

For records relating to the management of broad strategies for the prevention of fraud, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Fraud.

For an agency's fraud control plan, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Planning.

For investigations into fraud allegations made against an employee, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1251	Records documenting financial management arrangements supporting the agency's fraud control plan.	Destroy 7 years after Fraud Control Plan is superseded

1252 Record instand fraudu

Records documenting the identification of specific instances of fraud. Includes the report and investigation of fraudulent activities and records documenting liaison with law enforcement authorities.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

Grant Funding

The activities associated with the application for and receipt of grants.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1253	Records documenting the administration of grant funds	Destroy 7 years
	received.	after grant acquitted
	For the overall management of grant applications made by	

[For the overall management of grant applications made by the agency, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Grant Funding.

For grant applications made for non-government funding, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Grant Funding.]

The function of managing the organisation's financial resources. Includes establishing, operating, and maintaining accounting systems, controls and procedures, financial planning, framing budgets and budget submissions, obtaining grants, managing funds in the form of allocations from the Consolidated Revenue Fund and revenue from charging, trading and investments. Also includes the monitoring and analysis of assets to assist the delivery of economic and social services to government, industry and the community.

Inventory

The activities associated with listing and preparing lists of items and assets in the possession of the organisation.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action



Records documenting the listing of items supporting the financial management function eg cab charge vouchers and other accountable forms.

Destroy 2 years after action completed

[For listing of assets owned by the agency, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Asset Register.]

Meetings

The activities associated with ad-hoc gatherings held to formulate, discuss, update, or resolve issues and matters pertaining to the management of the section, department, or organisation as a whole. Includes arrangements, agenda, taking of minutes etc. Excludes committee meetings.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1255

Final version of minutes and supporting documents tabled at meetings held to support the financial management function. Includes meetings with external agencies. Destroy 7 years after action completed

1256



Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of meetings held to support the financial management function. Includes agenda, notices of meetings and draft minutes.

Destroy when reference ceases

Payments

The activities involved in the preparation and payment of money.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal ActionDestroy 7 years

after last action

1257



Records documenting the preparation and payment of money. Includes records documenting the checking of invoices, issuing of cheques for payment and the payment of claims.

[For accounting records supporting the payment activity, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting.]

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Planning

The process of formulating ways in which objectives can be achieved. Includes determination of services, needs and solutions to those needs.

For an agency's fraud control plans, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Planning.

Entry No 1258	Description of Records Final version of agency-wide financial management plans.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after plan is superseded
1259	Final version of a section or business unit's financial management plans, including those of state, regional or overseas offices.	Destroy 2 years after plan is superseded
1260	Working papers used in developing all financial management plans. Includes draft plans, reports analysing issues, and comments received from other areas of the agency.	Destroy 1 year after adoption of the final plan
1261	Copies of all financial management plans.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of managing the organisation's financial resources. Includes establishing, operating, and maintaining accounting systems, controls and procedures, financial planning, framing budgets and budget submissions, obtaining grants, managing funds in the form of allocations from the Consolidated Revenue Fund and revenue from charging, trading and investments. Also includes the monitoring and analysis of assets to assist the delivery of economic and social services to government, industry and the community.

Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1262	Records documenting the development and establishment of the agency's financial management policies. Includes:	Destroy 7 years after policy is superseded
	 policy proposals research papers results of consultations supporting reports major drafts final policy documents (eg Chief Executive's instructions). 	
1263	Records documenting comments made on the development of government-wide financial management policies.	Destroy 3 years after promulgation of the new policy
1264	Working papers documenting the development of all financial management policies.	Destroy 3 years after promulgation of the new policy
1265	Copies of policy documents and supporting papers.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of managing the organisation's financial resources. Includes establishing, operating, and maintaining accounting systems, controls and procedures, financial planning, framing budgets and budget submissions, obtaining grants, managing funds in the form of allocations from the Consolidated Revenue Fund and revenue from charging, trading and investments. Also includes the monitoring and analysis of assets to assist the delivery of economic and social services to government, industry and the community.

Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No 1266	Description of Records Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc detailing procedures supporting the financial management function eg procedural rules derived from Chief Executive's instructions.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after procedures are superseded
1267	Records documenting the development of agency procedures supporting the financial management function.	Destroy 2 years after action completed
1268	Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of managing the organisation's financial resources. Includes establishing, operating, and maintaining accounting systems, controls and procedures, financial planning, framing budgets and budget submissions, obtaining grants, managing funds in the form of allocations from the Consolidated Revenue Fund and revenue from charging, trading and investments. Also includes the monitoring and analysis of assets to assist the delivery of economic and social services to government, industry and the community.

Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

For regular finance accrual reports, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting.

For annual financial statements for formal interim statements, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Financial Statements.

Entry No 1269	Description of Records Final version of formal internal reports and reports made to external agencies relating to the financial management function. Includes reports made in response to a statutory obligation or reports required to be submitted on a regular basis.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after action completed
1270	Final version of periodic reports on general administrative matters used to monitor and document recurring activities to support the financial management function.	Destroy 7 years after action completed
1271	Working papers documenting the development of all reports. Includes drafts and comments received.	Destroy 2 years after action completed
1272	Copies of financial management reports.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of managing the organisation's financial resources. Includes establishing, operating, and maintaining accounting systems, controls and procedures, financial planning, framing budgets and budget submissions, obtaining grants, managing funds in the form of allocations from the Consolidated Revenue Fund and revenue from charging, trading and investments. Also includes the monitoring and analysis of assets to assist the delivery of economic and social services to government, industry and the community.

Reviewing

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

Entry No

Description of Records

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1273

Records documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the financial management function. Includes documents establishing the review, the final report and action plan.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

1274



Working papers documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the financial management function.

Destroy 3 years after action completed

Risk Management

The process involving the identification of risks, the likelihood and consequences of those risks, and the implementation of appropriate practice and procedures to treat the risks.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1275

Records documenting risk management relating to the financial management function. Includes documentation covering each stage of the process, treatment schedules and action plans.

Destroy 7 years after next risk assessment

1276

Financial management risk register.



Destroy 7 years after next risk assessment

Salaries

The process of managing the payment of salaries to personnel.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1277

Records documenting the payment of salaries to agency personnel.

Destroy 7 years after last action



[For records such as group certificates, overtime forms, tax

declaration forms, use PERSONNEL - Salaries.]

The function of managing the organisation's financial resources. Includes establishing, operating, and maintaining accounting systems, controls and procedures, financial planning, framing budgets and budget submissions, obtaining grants, managing funds in the form of allocations from the Consolidated Revenue Fund and revenue from charging, trading and investments. Also includes the monitoring and analysis of assets to assist the delivery of economic and social services to government, industry and the community.

Standards

The process of implementing industry or organisational benchmarks for services and processes to enhance the quality and efficiency of the organisation.

For compliance with standards (except where other activities apply), use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Compliance.

Entry No Description of Records

1278

Records documenting the implementation of industry standards (eg those issued by the Public Sector Accounting Standards Board or by the Australian Accounting Research Foundation) and agency standards to support the financial management function.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after action completed



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Tendering

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 1279	Description of Records Records documenting the development and issue of tender documentation. Includes Statement of Requirements, Request for Proposals, Expression of Interest, Request for Tender (RFT) and draft contract.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1280	Evaluation of tenders received against selection criteria. Includes records documenting arrangements for carrying out the evaluation process, evaluation report, recommendations, final report and public notices.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1281	Records documenting post-offer negotiations and due diligence checks.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1282	Records of unsuccessful tenders or a tender process where there is no suitable bidder, or where the tender process has been discontinued. Includes submissions, notification of outcome and reports on debriefing sessions.	Destroy 2 years after tender process completed or decision made not to continue with the tender
1283	Tender register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry
1284	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Western Australia.	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract
1285	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia.	Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract

The function of managing the organisation's financial resources. Includes establishing, operating, and maintaining accounting systems, controls and procedures, financial planning, framing budgets and budget submissions, obtaining grants, managing funds in the form of allocations from the Consolidated Revenue Fund and revenue from charging, trading and investments. Also includes the monitoring and analysis of assets to assist the delivery of economic and social services to government, industry and the community.

Tendering - Continued

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1286	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory.	Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
1287	Signed simple contracts and agreements resulting from tenders and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
1288	Contract register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry

Treasury Management

The process of managing the funds of the organisation in an efficient and economical manner by ensuring an effective system of internal control is in operation. Includes investments and loans.

Entry No 1289	Description of Records Records documenting the transfer of agency funds between official Commonwealth Funds.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after last action
1290	Records documenting investments or loans undertaken by the agency.	Destroy 7 years after investment matures or loan repayment completed
1291	Records documenting special accounts. Includes trust funds, unidentified receipts, unclaimed moneys.	Destroy 7 years after account finalised



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Accidents

The activities involved in dealing with mishaps causing injury or damage. Includes damage or injury to the organisation's property or member of staff incurred while coming to, at, or leaving work, or to the general public or visitors whilst on the organisation's premises. Also includes measures to prevent accidents occurring.

Entry No

1292

Description of Records

Records detailing accidents/incidents involving Commonwealth vehicles. Includes:

- vehicle accident reports
- investigation reports
- documents authorising the use of the vehicle
- records of driver/operator/pilot licences and certificates of competencies
- logs of vehicle operations
- booking schedules and other evidence supporting the use of the vehicle.

[For lodgement of a claim for damages to a Commonwealth vehicle or third party vehicle or property, use FLEET MANAGEMENT - Claims.

For accident reports where there is an injury to an employee, use COMPENSATION - Cases.

For accident reports where there is an injury to a member of the public who submits a claim for compensation, use COMPENSATION - Claims.

For accident reports where an employee was involved in an accident but where no compensation claim was lodged, use PERSONNEL - Accidents.

For accident reports sent to the lead agency (currently Comcare) covering deaths, serious personal injury, incapacity and dangerous occurrences for both employees and members of the public, use OH&S - Accidents.

For legal action resulting from an accident, use LEGAL SERVICES - Litigation.]

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after accident/incident

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Acquisition

The process of gaining ownership or use of property and other items or the provision of services required in the conduct of business through purchase or requisitions.

For a leasing agreement, use FLEET MANAGEMENT - Agreement.

For tendering carried out to support a contracting process for leasing vehicles, use FLEET MANAGEMENT - Tendering.

For the short term hire of vehicles, use FLEET MANAGEMENT - Leasing.

For managing financial transactions supporting acquisition activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No

Description of Records

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1293

Records documenting the acquisition of vehicles for Commonwealth use. Includes:

Destroy 7 years after disposal of vehicle

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- justification for choice
- orders

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• handover reports.

1294



Records documenting the acquisition of goods (eg vehicle accessories and fuel) and services required to support the fleet management function where there is no tender or contracting-out process (ie where the cost of the acquisition is below the threshold for tendering or where a purchase is made against a period contract).

Destroy 7 years after action completed

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Agreements

The processes associated with the establishment, maintenance, review and negotiation of agreements.

For records relating to the tendering process and contracts, use FLEET MANAGEMENT - Tendering.

For managing contract arrangements, use FLEET MANAGEMENT - Contracting-out.

Entry No Description of Records

1295

Final version of agreements and memoranda of understanding made to support the fleet management function.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after expiry or other termination of agreement

1296

Records documenting negotiation, establishment, maintenance and review of agreements.

Destroy 7 years after expiry or other termination of agreement

Allowances

The activities involved in arranging and managing money paid to employees in addition to salary to cover expenses incurred in the course of employment, e.g. travelling allowances.

Entry No

Description of Records

1297

Records documenting applications for allowances to employees for use of private vehicles for official business.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after action completed

[For the payment of allowances to employees, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Salaries.]

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Arrangements

The activities involved in arranging for a journey or trip. Includes preparing travel itineraries, authorisations, entitlements etc. Also includes arrangements made for the delivery of equipment or goods and the usage made of facilities, vehicles, equipment and space.

Entry No

Description of Records

1298

Records documenting arrangements for using Commonwealth vehicles. Includes:

- · booking schedules
- trip instructions (eg sailing directions)
- travel itineraries and programs
- records documenting a check of appropriate authorisations (eg validity of driver/operator/pilot licences and certificate of competencies)
- trip logs.

[For records detailing use arrangements for vehicles involved in accidents, use FLEET MANAGEMENT - Accidents.]

Disposal Action

Destroy 2 years after action completed



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Authorisation

The process of delegating power to authorise an action and the seeking and granting permission to undertake a requested action.

Entry No1299 Description of Records Delegations of powers to agency staff to authorise administrative action relating to the fleet management function. Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after delegation expires

1300

Requests and approvals for the use of vehicles involving financial arrangements. Includes permission for:

Destroy 7 years after action completed

- use of private vehicles for official business
- maintenance and repairs
- private use of fuel card and arrangements for reimbursement.

[For records supporting authorisation if the vehicle is involved in an accident, use FLEET MANAGEMENT - Accidents.]

1301

Requests and approvals authorising the use of vehicles not involving financial arrangements. Includes giving permission:

Destroy 1 year after authority expires

- to carry non-Commonwealth passengers
- for home garaging of vehicles
- for Executive Officers to use vehicles while on leave
- for learner drivers to drive a vehicle.

[For records supporting authorisation if the vehicle is involved in an accident, use FLEET MANAGEMENT - Accidents.]

1302

Copies of endorsed vehicle-related invoices passed to the delegate for payment.

[For the payment of the invoices, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT -Payment.]

Destroy when

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Claims

The process of administering and managing payments demanded in accordance with an insurance policy as compensation for injury, death, or denial of rights of a person, or damage to or destruction of property. Includes disputes over rights and ownership, and recompense sought for stolen or lost property.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1303

Records documenting insurance claims. Includes copies of claims, reports and related correspondence.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1304

Records of internal and external committees formed to consider matters relating to the fleet management function. Includes:

Destroy 2 years after action completed

- · documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

1305



Working papers documenting the administration of committees which consider matters relating to the fleet management function. Includes:

Destroy when reference ceases

- agenda
- notices of meetings
- · draft minutes.

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Compliance

The activities associated with complying with mandatory or optional accountability, fiscal, legal, regulatory or quality standards or requirements to which the organisation is subject. Includes compliance with legislation and with national and international standards, such as the ISO 9000 series.

Other activities within this function may also be relevant to the Compliance activity.

Entry No 1306	Description of Records Records documenting agency compliance with mandatory or optional standards or with statutory requirements relating to the fleet management function.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after action completed
1307	Records documenting the registration of agency vehicles. Includes inspections and renewal papers.	Destroy when registration is renewed or expires
1308	Records documenting the calculation of Fringe Benefit Tax (FBT) liabilities. [For managing FBT arrangements attached to individual employee's salary packages, use PERSONNEL - Salaries.	Destroy 5 years after action completed
	For the processes involved in managing financial transactions associated with meeting agency FBT obligations, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting.]	

Contracting-out

The activities involved in managing the performance of work or the provision of goods and services by an external contractor, vendor or consultant, or by using external bureau services. Includes outsourcing.

For information on records issues relating to outsourcing and contracting-out see General Disposal Authority 25.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1309	Records documenting contract management relating to the	Destroy 7 years
	fleet management function. Includes:	after completion or other termination of
	 minutes of meetings with main stakeholders performance and evaluation reports. 	contract

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Disposal

The process of disposing of property no longer required by the organisation, by sale, transfer, termination of lease, auction, donation or destruction. Includes destruction or transfer to archives, and the program of activities to facilitate the orderly transfer of semi-active and inactive records from current office space into storage.

Entry No

Description of Records

1310

Records documenting the disposal of Commonwealth owned vehicles. Includes:

- independent valuation
- certification of work undertaken on a vehicle prior to disposal
- written quotes
- · auction records
- routine forms and correspondence documenting the disposal of vehicles.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after disposal of vehicle

1311



Records documenting the return of leased vehicles. Includes:

- written notices and correspondence with leasing companies
- handover reports
- notification that the agency or its nominee wishes to purchase a vehicle
- arrangements for the restoration of the vehicle to the original condition.

Destroy 3 years after disposal of vehicle

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The function of acquiring (either by purchase, leasing or chartering), managing, maintaining, repairing and disposing of vehicles. Vehicles are any means of conveyance owned or used by the organisation to transport people or items. Excludes vehicles acquired to support the Defence combat function, but includes all other special purpose vehicles.

Infringements

The activities associated with handling breaches of rules. Includes driving or traffic infringements and infringements of the organisation's intellectual property.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1312 Records documenting breaches of the agency's rules and/or driving, traffic, aeronautical or marine laws. Includes copy of infringement notice, correspondence with relevant authority and other supporting documentation.

Destroy 1 year after action completed

[For cases where legal support is sought, use LEGAL SERVICES - Infringements.

For cases that proceed to litigation, use LEGAL SERVICES - Litigation.

For disciplinary action arising from infringements by employees, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.]

Insurance

The process of taking out premiums to cover loss or damage to property or premises, and to cover customers and staff against injury or death resulting from incidents on the organisation's premises or whilst engaged during employment.

For insurance claims lodged, use FLEET MANAGEMENT - Claims.

For managing financial transactions supporting insurance activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

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Vehicle insurance policies.

Destroy 7 years after policy expires

Records documenting the annual renewal of insurance policies.

Destroy 1 year after action completed

The function of acquiring (either by purchase, leasing or chartering), managing, maintaining, repairing and disposing of vehicles. Vehicles are any means of conveyance owned or used by the organisation to transport people or items. Excludes vehicles acquired to support the Defence combat function, but includes all other special purpose vehicles.

Leasing

The activities involved in leasing items, equipment, accommodation, premises or real estate from another organisation. Includes the process of chartering.

For recording the formal leasing agreement, use FLEET MANAGEMENT - Agreement.

For the activities associated with acquiring leased vehicles, use FLEET MANAGEMENT - Acquisition.

For the disposal of leased vehicles, use FLEET MANAGEMENT - Disposal.

For Fringe Benefit Tax reports received from a leasing company, use FLEET MANAGEMENT - Compliance.

For managing financial transactions associated with the short term rental of vehicles, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No 1315	Description of Records Records documenting the administration and management of leased vehicles. Includes reports received from leasing companies such as fuel billing reports and vehicle exception reports.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after lease expires or is terminated
1316	Records documenting the administration of short term rental vehicles for official business.	Destroy 7 years after action completed

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Maintenance

The activities associated with the upkeep, repair, servicing, modification and preservation of internal/external conditions of premises, equipment, vehicles etc.

For the payment of accounts relating to maintenance activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and Payment.

Entry No

1317

Description of Records

Records documenting the maintenance, repair and

modification of Commonwealth owned vehicles. Includes maintenance record books/logs.

Disposal Action

Transfer to the new owner after sale or destroy 6 months after the write-off of the vehicle. (See instruction on the transfer of custody and ownership of Commonwealth records in Introduction)

1318



Records documenting the maintenance and servicing of leased vehicles. Includes maintenance record books/logs.

Transfer to leasing company after lease expires or is terminated. (See instruction on the transfer of custody and ownership of Commonwealth records in Introduction)

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Meetings

The activities associated with ad-hoc gatherings held to formulate, discuss, update, or resolve issues and matters pertaining to the management of the section, department, or organisation as a whole. Includes arrangements, agenda, taking of minutes etc. Excludes committee meetings.

Entry No 1319	Description of Records Final version of minutes and supporting documents tabled at meetings held to support the fleet management function. Includes meetings with external agencies.	Disposal Action Destroy 2 years after action completed
1320	Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of meetings held to support the fleet management function. Includes agenda, notices of meetings and draft minutes.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of acquiring (either by purchase, leasing or chartering), managing, maintaining, repairing and disposing of vehicles. Vehicles are any means of conveyance owned or used by the organisation to transport people or items. Excludes vehicles acquired to support the Defence combat function, but includes all other special purpose vehicles.

Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1321	Records documenting the development and establishment of the agency's fleet management policies. Includes:	Destroy 7 years after policy is superseded
	 policy proposals research papers results of consultations supporting reports major drafts final policy documents. 	
1322	Records documenting comments made on the development of government-wide fleet management policies.	Destroy 2 years after promulgation of the new policy
1323	Working papers documenting the development of all fleet management policies.	Destroy 2 year after promulgation of the new policy
1324	Copies of policy documents and supporting papers.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of acquiring (either by purchase, leasing or chartering), managing, maintaining, repairing and disposing of vehicles. Vehicles are any means of conveyance owned or used by the organisation to transport people or items. Excludes vehicles acquired to support the Defence combat function, but includes all other special purpose vehicles.

Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1325	Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc detailing procedures supporting the fleet management function.	Destroy 7 years after procedures are superseded
1326	Records documenting the development of agency procedures supporting the fleet management function.	Destroy 2 years after production of procedures
1327	Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc.	Destroy when reference ceases

Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

Entry No 1328	Description of Records Final versions of formal reports and reports made to external agencies relating to the fleet management function.	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after action completed
1329	Final versions of periodic internal reports on general administrative matters used to monitor and document recurring activities to support the fleet management function. Includes reporting on accidents/incidents and theft involving Commonwealth vehicles.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
1330	Working papers documenting the development of all reports. Includes drafts and comments received.	Destroy when reference ceases
1331	Copies of financial management reports.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Tendering

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1332	Records documenting the development and issue of tender documentation. Includes Statement of Requirements, Request for Proposals, Expression of Interest, Request for Tender (RFT) and draft contract.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1333	Evaluation of tenders received against selection criteria. Includes records documenting arrangements for carrying out the evaluation process, evaluation report, recommendations, final report and public notices.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1334	Records documenting post-offer negotiations and due diligence checks.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1335	Records of unsuccessful tenders or a tender process where there is no suitable bidder, or where the tender process has been discontinued. Includes submissions, notification of outcome and reports on debriefing sessions.	Destroy 2 years after tender process completed or decision made not to continue with the tender
1336	Tender register.	Destroy 7 years
		after last entry
1337	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Western Australia	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract
1338	Signed contract under seal and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia	Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract

The function of acquiring (either by purchase, leasing or chartering), managing, maintaining, repairing and disposing of vehicles. Vehicles are any means of conveyance owned or used by the organisation to transport people or items. Excludes vehicles acquired to support the Defence combat function, but includes all other special purpose vehicles.

Tendering - Continued

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 1339	Description of Records Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory	Disposal Action Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
1340	Signed simple contracts and agreements resulting from tenders and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
1341	Contract register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

This function is NOT designed to cover regular ongoing contact between government agencies, which should be classified under the relevant function.

Addresses (presentations)

The activity of giving addresses for training, professional, community relations or sales purposes. Includes speeches and multi-media presentations.

Entry No 1342	Description of Records Final versions of addresses presented by portfolio Ministers and agency heads at government occasions. [For addresses delivered by portfolio Ministers at public occasions, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Addresses.]	Disposal Action Retain as national archives
1343	Final versions of addresses presented by other agency staff at government occasions.	Destroy 6 years after action completed
1344	Working papers documenting the preparation of addresses presented by the portfolio Minister and agency staff. Includes requests for input into ministerial speeches, quality monitoring, comments, clearances, and draft versions.	Destroy 1 year after action completed

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This function is NOT designed to cover regular ongoing contact between government agencies, which should be classified under the relevant function.

Advice

The activities associated with offering opinions by or to the organisation as to an action or judgement. Includes the process of advising.

For formal submissions made by the agency on government matters, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

For registers tracking the handling of Cabinet documents, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Security.

Entry No Description of Records

1345



Numbered Cabinet memorandums, Cabinet discussion papers, Cabinet minutes and related documents received by the agency.

Disposal Action

Destroy in accordance with Cabinet Handbook instructions

1346



Working papers documenting the development of Cabinet memorandums and Cabinet discussion papers. Includes drafts.

Retain as national archives

archives

1347



Advice provided by the agency to the portfolio Minister and government agencies on controversial public issues with farreaching social, economic and international implications relating to the functional responsibilities of the agency. Includes advice provided in the form of:

Retain as national

- briefing notes (includes background briefs and Question Time Briefs)
- minutes providing advice to the Minister
- Ministerial statements
- Government responses to Inquiry recommendations
- policy papers (White and Green papers)
- minutes providing co-ordination comments
- advice to other agencies.

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Working papers documenting the development of advice provided by the agency to the portfolio Minister and government agencies on controversial public issues with farreaching social, economic and international implications relating to the functional responsibilities of the agency.

Retain as national archives

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Advice - Continued

The activities associated with offering opinions by or to the organisation as to an action or judgement. Includes the process of advising.

For formal submissions made by the agency on government matters, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

For registers tracking the handling of Cabinet documents, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Security.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1349



Advice provided by the agency to the portfolio Minister and government agencies on matters of lesser importance, with no far reaching impact on the social, economic and international standing of the country. Includes advice provided in the form of:

Destroy 5 years after action completed

- briefing notes (includes background briefs and Question Time Briefs)
- minutes providing advice to the Minister
- minutes providing co-ordination comments
- advice to other agencies.

1350



Working papers documenting the development of advice provided by the agency to the portfolio Minister and government agencies on matters of lesser importance, with no far-reaching impact on the social, economic and international standing of the country.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

1351



General administrative records documenting the provision of advice. Includes list of briefing requirements and records documenting the tabling of reports and papers to Parliament.

Destroy 2 years after action completed

1352



Notes made by agency officials attending Cabinet or Cabinet committee meetings to give advice. Excluding Cabinet notebooks held by the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet.

Destroy in accordance with Cabinet Handbook instructions ie as soon as possible after the meeting

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Advice - Continued

The activities associated with offering opinions by or to the organisation as to an action or judgement. Includes the process of advising.

For formal submissions made by the agency on government matters, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

For registers tracking the handling of Cabinet documents, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Security.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1353



Records documenting provision of advice to Government on the nomination, appointment, resignation and termination of members of the public to boards, committees and statutory positions which are administered by the agency. Destroy 3 years after action completed

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Agreements

The processes associated with the establishment, maintenance, review and negotiation of agreements.

Agencies must use their own Records Disposal Authorities for agreements which relate to their core functions.

For agreements relating to joint ventures, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Joint Ventures.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1354	Final version of significant agreements with government bodies. Includes:	Retain as national archives
	 policies and procedures applying to the whole of government changes to the performance of statutory functions those with implications for major liabilities or obligations for the agency. 	
1355	Records relating to the negotiations, establishment, maintenance and review of significant agreements.	Retain as national archives
1356	Final versions of other agreements.	Destroy 10 years after expiry of the agreement
1357	Records documenting the negotiations, establishment, maintenance and review of other agreements.	Destroy 10 years after expiry of the agreement

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Agencies must use their own Records Disposal Authorities for committees which relate to their core functions.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1358

Records of external high level inter-government (both State/Territory and overseas) or inter-agency committees where the agency provides the Secretariat, is the Commonwealth's main representative, or plays a significant role. Includes:

Retain as national archives

- documents establishing the committee
- agendas
- minutes
- reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing and discussion papers.

1359



Working papers documenting the administrative arrangements made for the conduct of external high level committees.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

1360

Records of other external inter-government (both State/Territory and overseas) or inter-agency committees where the agency does not provides the Secretariat, is not the Commonwealth's main representative, and plays only a minor role. Includes:

Destroy 5 years after action completed

- documents establishing the committee
- minutes
- reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing and discussion papers.

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Committees - Continued

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Agencies must use their own Records Disposal Authorities for committees which relate to their core functions.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1361 Working papers documenting administrative arrangements made for the conduct of other external inter-government and inter-agency committees.

Destroy 2 years after action completed

1362



Records of internal agency committees formed to consider matters relating to the government relations function. Includes:

Destroy 3 years after action completed

- · documents establishing the committee
- minutes
- reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing and discussion papers.

Destroy when reference ceases



Working papers documenting the administration of internal committees formed to consider matters relating to the government relations function. Includes:

- agenda
- notices of meetings
- · draft minutes.

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Compliance

The activities associated with complying with mandatory or optional accountability, fiscal, legal, regulatory or quality standards or requirements to which the organisation is subject. Includes compliance with legislation and with national and international standards, such as the ISO 9000 series.

Other activities within this function may also be relevant to the Compliance activity.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1364

Records documenting agency compliance with mandatory or optional standards or with statutory requirements relating to the government relations function eg submission of Annual Report to the portfolio minister including letter of transmittal.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

Customer Service

The activities associated with the planning, monitoring and evaluation of services provided to customers by the organisation.

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Entry No

Description of Records

Records documenting the general planning, monitoring and evaluation of customer services provided to government clients.

Disposal Action

Destroy 6 years after action completed

1366

Records documenting the development of service charters and directives relating to the provision of services to government clients. Destroy 6 years after action completed

[For the production of the agency's service charter, use PUBLICATION - Planning and PUBLICATION - Production.]

1367

Records documenting the management of specific customer services delivered to government clients. Includes planning, monitoring and evaluation of services.

Destroy 6 years after action completed

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Implementation

The activities associated with carrying out or putting into action, plans, policies, procedures or instructions, all of which could be internally or externally driven. Includes manual or automated databases, applications or systems, but excludes the installation of equipment. Also includes monitoring to ensure that the implementation goes according to schedule and that standards are met and first aid treatment.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1368

Records documenting the implementation of plans, policies, procedures and instructions to support the government relations function.

Destroy 3 years after action completed



The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Inquiries

The activities associated with liaising with bodies carrying out inquiries, and participating in them. Inquiries are investigations carried out by persons or bodies who have been empowered to inquire and report on a subject, such as Royal Commissions, Parliamentary and Ombudsman's inquiries. Includes the organisation's participation in the inquiry by providing evidence in the form of records, submissions or staff.

Entry No Description of Records

Disposal Action

1369

Records documenting the agency's contribution and involvement in an inquiry directly relating to its functions. Includes:

Retain as national archives

- · agency statements and submissions
- · responses to final reports
- transcripts of oral evidence given by agency officers.

1370



Working papers documenting the agency's contribution and involvement in an inquiry directly relating to its functions.

Retain as national archives

1371



Records documenting inquiries with no direct relation to the agency's functions where the agency made a substantial contribution. Includes:

Destroy 7 years after final report of inquiry is released

- agency statements and submissions
- responses to final reports
- transcripts of oral evidence given by agency officers.

1372



Records documenting inquiries with no direct relation to the agency's function where the agency made little or no contribution.

Destroy 2 years after final report of inquiry is released

1373



Working papers documenting the agency's contribution and involvement in an inquiry with no direct relation to the agency's function.

Destroy when reference ceases

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Joint Ventures

The activities involved in managing joint operations between departments, either within the organisation or with other organisations, or with the government, where there is a contract, joint contribution of funds and/or time. Also includes private sector ventures with public sector organisations, and co-research or collaboration between inter-departmental units, departments or organisations.

Agencies must use their own Records Disposal Authority for joint venture operations which relate to their core functions.

Entry No

Description of Records

1374



Final signed version of joint venture agreements or contracts of major significance to the agency and the Commonwealth. Includes:

- policies and procedures applying to the whole of government
- changes to the performance of statutory functions
- those with implications for major liabilities or obligations for the agency.

1375



Working papers relating to the establishment and negotiations and management of joint venture agreements

of major significance.

Retain as national

Disposal Action

Retain as national

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1376 Final versions of other joint venture agreements or contracts. 11 11 11 11

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of agreement or contract

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Working papers relating to the establishment, negotiations and management of other joint venture agreements or contracts.

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of agreement or contract

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Legislation

The process of making laws. Includes Local, State, Commonwealth and overseas Acts, Bills and subsections of Acts, and amendments to each.

For records documenting the development of the legislative requirements, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Legislation.

For advice provided to Cabinet, the portfolio Minister and other government agencies on proposed legislation, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Advice.

For submissions relating to legislative proposals to the portfolio Minister and to Cabinet, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

For legal advice received on the interpretation of legislation and legislation proposals, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice.

Entry No Description of Records

1378

Records documenting the preparation and passage of an agency's legislation through Parliament. Includes:

Disposal Action

Retain as national archives

- preliminary drafting instructions
- proposed bills
- records documenting consultation with relevant government agencies
- preparation of the Explanatory Memorandum
- Second Reading Speech.

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Media Relations

The activities associated with establishing a relationship between the media and the organisation. Includes cultivating media contacts, coordinating access to the media, authorising and issuing press releases and briefings, and organising media interviews.

Entry No 1379	Description of Records Master set of agency produced media releases in the portfolio Minister's name and transcripts of interviews.	Disposal Action Retain as national archives
1380	Records documenting administrative arrangements with the media. Includes the issuing of media releases in the portfolio Minister's name, organising media interviews for the Minister and providing information and assistance to support media coverage.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
1381	Copies of media items specifically relating to the portfolio Minister. Includes newscuttings, transcripts and electronic items.	Destroy when reference ceases
	[For copies of media items relating to the agency's operations, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Media Relations.	

For the acquisition of media items through media monitoring

services, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT -

Acquisition.1

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Meetings

The activities associated with ad-hoc gatherings held to formulate, discuss, update, or resolve issues and matters pertaining to the management of the section, department, or organisation as a whole. Includes arrangements, agenda, taking of minutes etc. Excludes committee meetings.

Entry No 1382	Description of Records Final version of minutes and supporting documents tabled	Disposal Action Destroy 3 years
	at meetings held to support the government relations function. Includes meetings with external agencies.	after action completed
1383	Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of meetings held to support the government relations function. Includes agenda, notices of meetings and draft minutes.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1384	Records documenting the development and establishment of the agency's government relations policies. Includes:	Destroy 5 years after policy is superseded
	 policy proposals research papers results of consultations supporting reports major drafts final policy documents. 	
1385	Records documenting comments made on the development of government-wide government relations policies.	Destroy 3 years after promulgation of the new policy
1386	Working papers documenting the development of all government relations policies.	Destroy 3 years after promulgation of the new policy
1387	Copies of policy documents and supporting papers.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1388	Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc detailing procedures supporting the government relations function. Includes procedures for preparing materials for a particular Minister.	Destroy when procedures are superseded
1389	Records documenting the development of agency procedures supporting the government relations function.	Destroy 1 year after production of procedures
1390	Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

For the provision of advice to government, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Advice.

For agency contributions to government inquiries, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Inquiries.

For agency submissions to Cabinet, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

Entry No 1391	Description of Records Final version of unpublished formal reports made on the agency's core functions. [For the Annual Report drafting process, use PUBLICATION - Drafting. For published reports (eg Annual Reports), use PUBLICATION - Planning and PUBLICATION - Production. For submission of the agency's Annual Report to the portfolio Minister, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Compliance.]	Disposal Action Retain as national archives
1392	Working papers documenting the development of formal reports made on the agency's core functions	Retain as national archives
1393	Final version of periodic reports required on a regular basis by external government bodies.	Destroy 5 years after action completed
1394	Working papers documenting periodic reports required on a regular basis by external government bodies.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
1395	Copies of government relations reports.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Reporting - Continued

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

For the provision of advice to government, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Advice.

For agency contributions to government inquiries, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Inquiries.

For agency submissions to Cabinet, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

Entry No Do

Description of Records

1396 Responses t

Responses to surveys requested by other government agencies.

Disposal Action
Destroy 2 years

after action completed



The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Representations

The activities involved in preparing responses to questions raised in Parliament by Members of Parliament on behalf of their constituents. Also includes community-based representations and representations directed to the Minister seeking a formal response.

For registers of Ministerial correspondence, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Control.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1397

Records documenting the preparation of Ministerial responses to questions raised in Parliament.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

1398



Records documenting responses to approaches received by the minister ('Ministerials') from peak industry bodies, leading community interest groups, recognised influential stakeholders and individuals concerning issues of a contentious nature which are of major significance to the agency and/or the community at large. Includes:

Retain as national archives

- copies of letters received
- draft responses
- minutes providing background details for the Minister
- requests from the Minister's office for changes
- final response.

1399



Records documenting responses to other approaches received by the minister ('Ministerials') from the public of a routine nature concerning issues which are of no major significance to the agency and/or the community at large. Includes:

Destroy 2 years after action completed

- · copies of letters received
- draft responses
- minutes providing background details for the Minister
- requests from the Minister's office for changes
- final response.

1400

Reference set of all responses to representations ('Ministerials') kept by the coordinating area.

Destroy when reference ceases

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Representations - Continued

The activities involved in preparing responses to questions raised in Parliament by Members of Parliament on behalf of their constituents. Also includes community-based representations and representations directed to the Minister seeking a formal response.

For registers of Ministerial correspondence, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Control.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1401

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Records documenting the management of communications sent to the Minister. Includes Ministerial directives (project worksheets) and background material, statistics and weekly reports on representations.

Destroy 1 year after action completed

Representatives

The activities associated with the nomination, appointment or resignation of individuals or groups of personnel appointed by the organisation or their co-workers as official representatives to organisations, offices, unions, workers participation committees, councils or groups. Includes organisational legal representatives.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1402



Records documenting the nomination, appointment and resignation and/or termination of staff members on government bodies.

Destroy 3 years after end of appointment

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Research

The activities involved in investigating or enquiring into a subject or area of interest in order to discover facts, principles etc. Used to support the development of projects, standards, guidelines etc and the business activities of the organisation in general. Includes following up enquiries relating to organisational programs, projects, working papers, literature searches etc.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1403	Records documenting detailed research carried out to support the government relations function.	Destroy 7 years after last action
1404	Records documenting routine research carried out to support the government relations function.	Destroy 1 year after last action

Reviewing

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1405	Records documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the government relations function. Includes documents establishing the review, final report and action plan.	Destroy 5 years after action completed
1406	Working papers documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the government relations function.	Destroy 2 years after action completed

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Security

The activities associated with measures taken to protect people, premises, equipment or information from accidental or intentional damage or from unauthorised access. Includes the security classification of personnel and criminal record checks.

Entry No

1407

Description of Records

Disposal Action

Records documenting arrangements made by the agency for the security of government representatives, including the portfolio Minister and dignitaries during visits. Destroy 6 years after action completed

[For general arrangements for visits, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Visits.]



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This function is NOT designed to cover regular ongoing contact between government agencies, which should be classified under the relevant function.

Submissions

The preparation and submission of a formal statement (eg report, statistics, etc) supporting a case or opinion held by the organisation which is submitted to another organisation, or within the organisation, for the purpose of either gain or support.

For registers tracking the handling of Cabinet documents, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Security.

Entry No 1408	Description of Records Numbered Cabinet submissions and related Cabinet documents eg covering memorandums, corrigenda, reports and attachments to submissions and Cabinet minutes requesting submissions.	Disposal Action Destroy in accordance with Cabinet Handbook instructions
1409	Working papers documenting the development of Cabinet submissions. Includes background and briefing material, drafts and comments received.	Retain as national archives
1410	Submissions (other than Cabinet submissions) made to the Prime Minister, Minister, and government bodies on issues directly relating to the agency's functions, concerning controversial issues with far reaching social, economic and international implications relating to the functional responsibilities of the agency.	Retain as national archives
1411	Working papers documenting the development of submissions (other than Cabinet submissions) relating to controversial issues.	Retain as national archives
1412	Submissions (other than Cabinet submissions) made to the Prime Minister, Minister, and government bodies on issues directly relating to the agency's functions, concerning other matters of lesser importance with no far reaching impact on the social, economic and international standing of the country. Includes submissions concerning administrative matters.	Destroy 10 years after action completed

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Submissions - Continued

The preparation and submission of a formal statement (eg report, statistics, etc) supporting a case or opinion held by the organisation which is submitted to another organisation, or within the organisation, for the purpose of either gain or support.

For registers tracking the handling of Cabinet documents, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Security.

Entry No Des

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1413

Working papers documenting the development of submissions (other than Cabinet submissions) relating to other matters of lesser importance.

Destroy 10 years after action completed



The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Visits

The activities involved in arranging visits by other organisations, the public and students to the organisation, with a view to inform, educate or promote the services, operation and role of the organisation. Includes arranging visits by staff to other organisations.

For briefings for visits, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Advice.

For visits to the agency by public and non-government visitors, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Visits.

For security arrangements made for the visits of government representatives, including the Minister, and delegations, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Security.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
	Records documenting visits made by the Minister both within Australia and overseas. Includes:	Destroy 10 years after action completed
	 invitations travel and accommodation arrangements itineraries and programs visit reports letters of thanks. 	ompleted
1415	Records documenting visits to the agency by royalty and Heads of State. Includes visitor books signed by such dignitaries.	Retain as national archives
1416	Records documenting visits to the agency made by the Prime Minister, Ministers, Members of Parliament, other agency officials and interstate and overseas delegations.	Destroy 6 years after action completed
1417	Records documenting visits by agency staff to other government organisations both within Australia and overseas. Includes reports on the visit.	Destroy 6 years after action completed



The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace. Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Advice

The activities associated with offering opinions by or to the organisation as to an action or judgement. Includes the process of advising.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action



Records documenting the receipt and provision of advice on the industrial relations function.

Destroy 3 years after action completed

[For legal advice obtained on industrial relations matters, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice.]

Agreements

The processes associated with the establishment, maintenance, review and negotiation of agreements.

For Certified Agreements made under the Workplace Relations Act 1996, use INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS - Enterprise Bargaining.

For Australian Workplace Agreements with individual employees, use PERSONNEL - Cases.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1419

Records documenting cases covering awards and agreements heard or certified by the central arbitration or determining body (eg. Australian Industrial Relations Commission or former Public Service Arbitrator) where the agency is a major participant in negotiations. Includes arbitrated variations and consent variations to an award.

Retain as national archives



Records documenting other cases covering awards and agreements where the agency had little or no input.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace. Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Allowances

The activities involved in arranging and managing money paid to employees in addition to salary to cover expenses incurred in the course of employment, e.g. travelling allowances.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1421

Records documenting arrangements and money paid to enable employees to attend meetings and events to support the industrial relations function eg Workplace Relations Committee meetings.

Destroy 1 year after action completed

[For the payment of allowances to employees, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Salaries.]

Appeals (decisions)

The activities involved in the process of appeals against decisions by application to a higher authority.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1422

Records documenting appeals made to the central arbitration or determining body (eg the Australian Industrial Relations Commission or the former Public Service Arbitrator) against a decision or an order where the agency

Retain as national archives

is a major participant in negotiations.

1423



Records documenting appeals against a decision or an order where the agency had little or no input into the negotiations.

Destroy 2 years after action completed

[For appeals made by individual employees, use PERSONNEL - Appeals.]

The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace. Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Claims

The process of administering and managing payments demanded in accordance with an insurance policy as compensation for injury, death, or denial of rights of a person, or damage to or destruction of property. Includes disputes over rights and ownership, and recompense sought for stolen or lost property.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action



Records documenting insurance claims for damage and loss incurred by an agency resulting from industrial action.

Destroy 7 years after finalisation or withdrawal of claim

[For the management of insurance policies, use INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS - Insurance.]

Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1425

Records of internal and external committees formed to consider matters relating to the industrial relations function (eg Workplace Relations Committee). Includes:

Destroy 10 years after action completed

- · documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

[For records of the Workplace Relations Committee detailing negotiations for enterprise bargaining agreements, use INDUSTRIAL RELATION - Enterprise Bargaining.]

1426

Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of committees which consider matters relating to the industrial relations function. Includes:

Destroy when reference ceases

- agenda
- · notices of meetings
- draft minutes.

The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace. Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Compliance

The activities associated with complying with mandatory or optional accountability, fiscal, legal, regulatory or quality standards or requirements to which the organisation is subject. Includes compliance with legislation and with national and international standards, such as the ISO 9000 series.

Other activities within this function may also be relevant to the Compliance activity.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1427

Records documenting agency compliance with mandatory or optional standards or with statutory requirements relating to the industrial relations function.

Destroy 7 years after action completed



Contracting-out

The activities involved in managing the performance of work or the provision of goods and services by an external contractor, vendor or consultant, or by using external bureau services. Includes outsourcing.

For information on records issues relating to outsourcing and contracting-out see General Disposal Authority 25.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1428



Records documenting contract management relating to the industrial relations function. Includes:

- minutes of meetings with main stakeholders
- performance and evaluation reports.

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract

Disputes

The process of handling any disagreement pertaining to awards, agreements, demarcation issues, breaches of injunctions, secret ballots, etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1429

Records documenting the management of service, agencywide or local industrial disputes. Includes records documenting liaison with employees, union representatives and the Commonwealth's lead agency. Destroy 6 years after action completed

[For advice on legal aspects of an industrial dispute, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice.

For a dispute which escalates into industrial action eg strikes, bans, lock-outs, use INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS -Industrial Action.]

The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace. Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Enterprise Bargaining

The process where employees negotiate increased pay or other benefits with their employers in exchange for the implementation of working arrangements that improve the performance of the organisation. Includes the activities associated with establishing and implementing an enterprise agreement.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1430

Records documenting negotiation, establishment and implementation of Certified Agreements made under the terms of the Workplace Relations Act 1996. Includes:

Retain as national archives

- negotiations with staff and union representatives
- · records documenting the conduct of the staff ballot
- draft agreement
- liaison with the Commonwealth's lead agency
- · Ministerial approval
- records to support lodgement with the Australian Industrial Registry
- certified copy of final agreement
- minutes of Workplace Relations Committee meetings considering issues relating to the development of certified agreements.

[For Australian Workplace Agreements with an individual employee, use PERSONNEL - Agreements.]

1431

Records documenting negotiations, establishment and implementation of other industrial relations agency-wide agreements (eg Enterprise Bargaining Agreements made under the Industrial Relations Act 1988).

Retain as national archives

The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace. Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Grievances

The activities associated with the handling and resolution of grievances. Includes handling complaints over perceived discrimination, or those arising over work environment, work organisation or distribution, peers, supervisors or subordinates. Also includes complaints regarding the provision of access to opportunities such as training, equipment, promotion, or higher duties.

Entry No 1432

Description of Records

Disposal Action

Records documenting employee grievances and complaints. Includes records documenting liaison with employees, union representatives and the Commonwealth's lead agency.

Destroy 6 years after action completed

[For a grievance which escalates into a dispute or industrial action, use INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS - Disputes or INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS - Industrial Action.

For grievances lodged by individual employees, use PERSONNEL - Grievances.

For advice on legal aspects of handling grievances, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice.]



The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace. Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Industrial Action

The activities associated with dealing with a failure or refusal to attend or perform work in association with a dispute between management and workers. Includes lock-outs, strikes etc.

For advice on legal aspects of managing an industrial action, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice.

For the management of any variation in employees' pay as a result of an industrial action, use PERSONNEL - Salaries.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1433



Records documenting the management of industrial action (ie strikes, bans, lockouts, go-slows, work-to-rule) of a significant nature eg involving large numbers of agency staff, where the action has a major affect on the provision of services to the community or if it has service-wide implications. Includes:

Retain as national archives

- notification to Minister
- liaison with the relevant lead agency
- discussions/ meetings and conferences between parties
- hearings with the Australian Industrial Relations Commission (Public Service Arbitrator)
- hearings before the Federal Court and predecessor bodies
- communications with staff.

1434



Records documenting the management of industrial action (ie strikes, bans, lockouts, go-slows, work-to-rule) of a minor nature eg involving few staff, with no major effect on the provision of services to the community or confined to a localised area of the agency.

Destroy 6 years after action completed

Infringements

The activities associated with handling breaches of rules. Includes driving or traffic infringements and infringements of the organisation's intellectual property.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1435

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Records documenting any industrial relations infringements incurred by the agency.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace. Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Inspections

The process of official examinations of facilities, equipment and items, to ensure compliance with agreed standards and objectives.

For inspections where a prosecution occurs, use LEGAL SERVICES - Litigation.

For records detailing inspections carried out under the OH&S function, use OH&S - Inspections.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1436	Records documenting inspections carried out as a result of an OH&S dispute where breaches are recorded.	Destroy 6 years after action completed
1437	Records documenting routine inspections.	Destroy 3 years after action completed

Insurance

The process of taking out premiums to cover loss or damage to property or premises, and to cover customers and staff against injury or death resulting from incidents on the organisation's premises or whilst engaged during employment.

For insurance claims lodged, use INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS - Claims.

For managing financial transactions supporting insurance activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1438	Insurance policies.	Destroy 7 years
		after policy expires
1439	Records documenting the annual renewal of insurance policies.	Destroy 1 year after action completed
	policies.	action completed

The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace. Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Meetings

The activities associated with ad-hoc gatherings held to formulate, discuss, update, or resolve issues and matters pertaining to the management of the section, department, or organisation as a whole. Includes arrangements, agenda, taking of minutes etc. Excludes committee meetings.

Entry No 1440	Description of Records Final version of minutes and supporting documents tabled at meetings held to support the industrial relations function. Includes ongoing consultative meetings with union representatives and staff.	Disposal Action Destroy 6 years after action completed
1441	Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of meetings held to support the industrial relations function. Includes agenda, notices of meetings and draft minutes.	Destroy when reference ceases

Planning

The process of formulating ways in which objectives can be achieved. Includes determination of services, needs and solutions to those needs.

Entry No 1442	Description of Records Final versions of agency-wide industrial relations plans (eg dispute contingency or action plans).	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after plan is superseded
1443	Final version of section or business unit's industrial relations plans, including state, regional or overseas office.	Destroy 3 years after plan is superseded
1444	Working papers used to develop all industrial relations plans. Includes working papers, draft plans, reports analysing issues, and comments received from other areas of the agency.	Destroy 1 year after adoption of the final plan
1445	Copies of all industrial relations plans.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace. Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1446	Records documenting the development and establishment of the agency's industrial relations policies. Includes:	Retain as national archives
	 policy proposals research papers results of consultations supporting reports major drafts final policy documents. 	
1447	Records documenting comments made on the development of government-wide industrial relations policies.	Destroy 3 years after promulgation of the new policy
1448	Working papers documenting the development of all industrial relations policies.	Destroy 3 years after promulgation of the new policy
1449	Copies of policy documents and supporting papers.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace. Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1450 	Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc detailing procedures supporting the industrial relations function.	Destroy 5 years after procedures are superseded
1451 	Records documenting the development of agency procedures supporting the industrial relations function.	Destroy 2 years after completion of procedures
1452	Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc.	Destroy when reference ceases

Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

Entry No 1453	Description of Records Final version of formal internal reports and reports made to external agencies relating to the industrial relations function.	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after action completed
1454	Final version of periodic internal reports on general administrative matters used to monitor and document recurring activities to support the industrial relations function.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
1455	Working papers documenting the development of all reports. Includes drafts and comments received.	Destroy 1 year after action completed
1456	Copies of industrial relations reports.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Research

The activities involved in investigating or enquiring into a subject or area of interest in order to discover facts, principles etc. Used to support the development of projects, standards, guidelines etc and the business activities of the organisation in general. Includes following up enquiries relating to organisational programs, projects, working papers, literature searches etc.

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Description of Records

Disposal Action

1457

Records documenting detailed research carried out to support the industrial relations function.

Destroy 3 years after research is completed

1458



Records documenting routine research carried out to support the industrial relations function.

Destroy when reference ceases

The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace. Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Tendering

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 1459	Description of Records Records documenting the development and issue of tender documentation. Includes Statement of Requirements, Request for Proposals, Expression of Interest, Request for Tender (RFT) and draft contract.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1460	Evaluation of tenders received against selection criteria. Includes records documenting arrangements for carrying out the evaluation process, evaluation report, recommendations, final report and public notices.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1461	Records documenting post-offer negotiations and due diligence checks.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1462	Records of unsuccessful tenders or a tender process where there is no suitable bidder, or where the tender process has been discontinued. Includes submissions, notification of outcome and reports on debriefing sessions.	Destroy 2 years after tender process completed or decision made not to continue with the tender
1463	Tender register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry
1464	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Western Australia.	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract
1465	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia.	Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract

The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace. Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Tendering - Continued

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1466	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory.	Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
1467	Signed simple contracts and agreements resulting from tenders and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
1468	Contract register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry

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Acquisition

The process of gaining ownership or use of property and other items or the provision of services required in the conduct of business through purchase or requisitions.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1469

Records documenting the acquisition of library and record materials and/or services (eg on-line services, media monitoring services) where there is no tender or contracting-out process (ie where the cost of the acquisition is below the threshold for tendering or where a purchase is made against a period contract). Includes:

Destroy 7 years after action completed

- orders
- subscription renewals
- Inter-library loan payments.

[For the management of media items, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Media Relations and GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Media Relations.

For joining organisations to obtain subscriptions to an organisation's publications, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Liaison.

For arranging loans and inter-library loans of library material, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Control.

For managing financial transactions supporting acquisition activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

For managing contracted services supporting the acquisition process, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Contracting-out.

For the tendering process for contracting services to support the acquisition process, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Tendering.

For the acquisition of applications and systems, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Acquisitions.]

The function of managing the organisation's information resources. Includes creating, capturing, registering, classifying, indexing, storing, retrieving and disposing of records and developing strategies to manage records. Also includes the acquisition, control and disposal of library and other information products, items kept for reference purposes and the provision of services to internal and external customers, based on information resources. Data administration, archival records and the handling of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are also classified under this keyword.

Advice

The activities associated with offering opinions by or to the organisation as to an action or judgement. Includes the process of advising.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

 Records documenting the receipt and provision of advice provided on the information management function.

Destroy 1 year after action completed

[For handling enquiries from employees or other government organisations, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Enquiries.]

Agreements

The processes associated with the establishment, maintenance, review and negotiation of agreements.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1471

Final version of agreements made covering the information management function (eg agreements made with National Library of Australia for Kinetica services and agreements made under Section 35 of the current Archives Act, 1983). Destroy 7 years after expiry of agreement

[For managing financial transactions associated with any agreement, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting

and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payment.]

1472



Records documenting negotiations, establishment, maintenance and review of agreements.

Destroy 7 years after expiry of agreement

Appeals (decisions)

The activities involved in the process of appeals against decisions by application to a higher authority.

Entry No Description of Records

Disposal Action

N/A

[For appeals which relate to FOI claims, requests to change records under the Privacy Act, or appeals for access to agency records under the Archives Act, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT- Cases.]

N/A

The function of managing the organisation's information resources. Includes creating, capturing, registering, classifying, indexing, storing, retrieving and disposing of records and developing strategies to manage records. Also includes the acquisition, control and disposal of library and other information products, items kept for reference purposes and the provision of services to internal and external customers, based on information resources. Data administration, archival records and the handling of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are also classified under this keyword.

Audit

The activities associated with officially checking financial, quality assurance and operational records to ensure they have been kept and maintained in accordance with agreed or legislated standards and correctly record the events, processes and business of the organisation in a specified period. Includes compliance audits, financial audits, operational audits, recordkeeping audits, skills audits, system audits and quality assurance audits.

Entry No Description of Records

1473

Disposal Action

Final internal and external audit report relating to the information management function. Includes the final reports from audits conducted by the Privacy Commissioner or the Australian National Audit Office.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

1474

Records documenting the planning and conduct of internal and external audits relating to the information management function. Includes:

Destroy 5 years

- liaison with the auditing body
- · minutes of meetings
- · notes taken at opening and exit interviews
- draft report
- comments.

after action completed

1475



Records documenting recordkeeping audits. Includes file census.

Destroy when results of the file census have been recorded in control records

The function of managing the organisation's information resources. Includes creating, capturing, registering, classifying, indexing, storing, retrieving and disposing of records and developing strategies to manage records. Also includes the acquisition, control and disposal of library and other information products, items kept for reference purposes and the provision of services to internal and external customers, based on information resources. Data administration, archival records and the handling of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are also classified under this keyword.

Authorisation

The process of delegating power to authorise an action and the seeking and granting permission to undertake a requested action.

Entry No Description of Records

Delegations of powers to agency staff to authorise administrative action relating to the information

management function.

Disposal Action

Destroy 3 years after delegation superseded

1477

Authorisations for administrative actions relating to the information management function.

Destroy 3 years after authorisation superseded



The function of managing the organisation's information resources. Includes creating, capturing, registering, classifying, indexing, storing, retrieving and disposing of records and developing strategies to manage records. Also includes the acquisition, control and disposal of library and other information products, items kept for reference purposes and the provision of services to internal and external customers, based on information resources. Data administration, archival records and the handling of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are also classified under this keyword.

Cases

This activity descriptor should be used where there is a need to keep a number of activities together on one file, for legislative or operational reasons. Case files relate to particular incidents, persons, organisations or clients.

For the application of the privacy principles to an agency's recordkeeping practices and development of access restrictions, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Privacy.

For registers of cases, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Control.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1478



Records documenting requests for public access to records and documents under the FOI Act, the Privacy Act, the Archives Act and other legislation specific to the agency that:

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- set a precedent
- · lead to a change of policy
- relate to issues of national significance
- relate to issues of public controversy
- result in appeals to the Administrative Appeals Tribunal or the Federal or High Court.

1479



Records documenting recurring or protracted requests received from the public for access to records and documents under the FOI Act, the Privacy Act, the Archives Act and other legislation specific to the agency.

Destroy 10 years after completion of case

1480



Records documenting requests for public access to records and documents under the FOI Act, the Privacy Act, the Archives Act and other legislation specific to the agency where:

Destroy 5 years after action completed

- there has been an internal review
- where complaints have been lodged with the Ombudsman
- where there have been negotiations between an individual and the agency relating to the amendment or alteration of records.

The function of managing the organisation's information resources. Includes creating, capturing, registering, classifying, indexing, storing, retrieving and disposing of records and developing strategies to manage records. Also includes the acquisition, control and disposal of library and other information products, items kept for reference purposes and the provision of services to internal and external customers, based on information resources. Data administration, archival records and the handling of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are also classified under this keyword.

Cases - Continued

This activity descriptor should be used where there is a need to keep a number of activities together on one file, for legislative or operational reasons. Case files relate to particular incidents, persons, organisations or clients.

For the application of the privacy principles to an agency's recordkeeping practices and development of access restrictions, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Privacy.

For registers of cases, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Control.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1481

Records documenting requests for public access to records and documents under the FOI Act, the Privacy Act, the Archives Act and other legislation specific to the agency for:

Destroy 2 years after action completed

- less complex requests
- applications which are not proceeded with (eg where requests are withdrawn, lapse because of non-payment of application fees or are referred to another agency).



The function of managing the organisation's information resources. Includes creating, capturing, registering, classifying, indexing, storing, retrieving and disposing of records and developing strategies to manage records. Also includes the acquisition, control and disposal of library and other information products, items kept for reference purposes and the provision of services to internal and external customers, based on information resources. Data administration, archival records and the handling of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are also classified under this keyword.

Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1482



Records of internal and external committees formed to consider matters relating to the information management function. Includes:

Destroy 5 years after action completed

- documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- reports
- · recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

Destroy when reference ceases





Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of committees which consider matters relating to the information management function. Includes:

- agenda
- · notices of meetings
- draft minutes.

The function of managing the organisation's information resources. Includes creating, capturing, registering, classifying, indexing, storing, retrieving and disposing of records and developing strategies to manage records. Also includes the acquisition, control and disposal of library and other information products, items kept for reference purposes and the provision of services to internal and external customers, based on information resources. Data administration, archival records and the handling of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are also classified under this keyword.

Compliance

The activities associated with complying with mandatory or optional accountability, fiscal, legal, regulatory or quality standards or requirements to which the organisation is subject. Includes compliance with legislation and with national and international standards, such as the ISO 9000 series.

Other activities within this function may also be relevant to the Compliance activity.

Entry No	Description	of Records
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Disposal Action

1484

Records documenting agency compliance with mandatory or optional standards or with statutory requirements relating to the information management function (eg Australian Standard AS 4390–1996 Records Management).

Destroy 3 years after action completed

1485

Records documenting the compilation of a list of file titles in accordance with Senate Continuing Order No. 5.

Destroy 1 year after action completed

[For the submission of the file title list to Parliament, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.]

Conservation

The activities involved in the preservation, protection, maintenance, restoration and enhancement of properties, including buildings and land, and information resources and artefacts.

This Function/activity set should not be used by agencies where conservation supports a core function. In these instances coverage should be included in such agencies own functional Records Disposal Authority.

Entry No 1486	Description of Records Records documenting the management of agency conservation projects for the preservation of records and other information resources.	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after project is completed
1487	Records documenting routine preservation activities undertaken on agency records, library and other information resources. Includes book binding and repairs.	Destroy when reference ceases
1488	Records documenting specialised conservation treatment for agency records eg for specific groups of records such as photographs.	Destroy when treated records are disposed of

The function of managing the organisation's information resources. Includes creating, capturing, registering, classifying, indexing, storing, retrieving and disposing of records and developing strategies to manage records. Also includes the acquisition, control and disposal of library and other information products, items kept for reference purposes and the provision of services to internal and external customers, based on information resources. Data administration, archival records and the handling of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are also classified under this keyword.

Contracting-out

The activities involved in managing the performance of work or the provision of goods and services by an external contractor, vendor or consultant, or by using external bureau services. Includes outsourcing.

For information on records issues relating to outsourcing and contracting-out see General Disposal Authority 25.

Entry No

Description of Records

Description of Records

1489

Records documenting contract management relating to the information management function eg courier and outsourced storage services. Includes:

- minutes of meetings with main stakeholders
- performance and evaluation reports.

[For the transfer of records to a storage provider, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Disposal.]

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract



The function of managing the organisation's information resources. Includes creating, capturing, registering, classifying, indexing, storing, retrieving and disposing of records and developing strategies to manage records. Also includes the acquisition, control and disposal of library and other information products, items kept for reference purposes and the provision of services to internal and external customers, based on information resources. Data administration, archival records and the handling of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are also classified under this keyword.

Control

The activities associated with creating, maintaining and evaluating control mechanisms. Includes classification, indexing, registration, forms design etc. to ensure maximum control over records and recordkeeping systems. Also includes control mechanisms for other information resources and systems.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1490

Master control records for agency recordkeeping systems (both paper and electronic) for central, state, local, and overseas area offices. Includes:

Retain as national archives

- mandatory elements listed in National Archives'
 Recordkeeping Metadata Standards for Commonwealth Agencies
- registers of inwards/outwards correspondence (including Ministerial correspondence)
- registers and indexes giving details of control numbers, titles, date, disposal details
- file movement cards (if they also constitute the main control record or have been used to record disposal detail)
- list of records destroyed, if master control records are not annotated
- registers of case files (eg personnel and compensation case files registers.)

1491

Control records documenting library systems. Includes:

Destroy when reference ceases



- catalogues
- authority files of subject heading
- classification schemes
- thesauruses created by libraries for specialised use
- · loan and inter-library loan records.

[For copies of invoices relating to payments for inter-library loans, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Acquisitions.]

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Control - Continued

The activities associated with creating, maintaining and evaluating control mechanisms. Includes classification, indexing, registration, forms design etc. to ensure maximum control over records and recordkeeping systems. Also includes control mechanisms for other information resources and systems.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1492



Ancillary records documenting the control of agency records, library and information resources. Includes:

Destroy when reference ceases

- chronological sets of inwards and outwards correspondence
- file movements records (if they are a secondary control record to the main registers and indexes and have not been used to record disposal details)
- reference sets of master control records
- reference sets of control records compiled and held by business units
- resubmit lists/notices
- barcode lists
- location lists

1493



Master copy of file classification systems or an agency's authorised business classification schemes (currently created using the methodology of the Australian Standard AS 4390–1996 Records Management) and abbreviations used in paper and electronic systems.

Retain as national archives

1494

Records documenting the creation, maintenance and evaluation of an agency record titling thesauruses. Includes master copy of the thesaurus.

Retain as national archives

[For agency documentation of its functional analysis, the development of its business classification scheme and the recordkeeping requirements necessary for the creation of an agency Records Disposal Authority and functional thesaurus, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Policy.]

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Control - Continued

The activities associated with creating, maintaining and evaluating control mechanisms. Includes classification, indexing, registration, forms design etc. to ensure maximum control over records and recordkeeping systems. Also includes control mechanisms for other information resources and systems.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1495

Business rules and configuration settings for agency metadata. Includes developmental records and requests for changes.

Retain as national archives

[For the application, allocation and maintenance of the metadata in electronic systems, other than those covered

by the Information Management function, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Control.]

1496



Records documenting the receipt and dispatch of agency mail. Includes receipts for registered and certified mail.

Destroy 3 years after action completed

[For records supporting security requirement for the dispatch of classified mail, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Security.

For the internal distribution of agency mail, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Distribution.]

1497

Records documenting forms design.



Destroy 7 years after action completed

[For the printing of forms, use PUBLICATION - Production.]

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Customer Service

The activities associated with the planning, monitoring and evaluation of services provided to customers by the organisation.

Entry No 1498	Description of Records Records documenting the planning, monitoring and evaluation of specific services provided to customers of libraries, archives and records management units. Includes customer surveys.	Disposal Action Destroy 3 years after action completed
1499	Records documenting the development of service charters and directives relating to the provision of information management services. Includes final copies of charters. [For the production of the service charter, use	Destroy when superseded
	PUBLICATION - Planning and PUBLICATION - Production.]	
1500	Records documenting the management of a library or a records management unit enquiry desk.	Destroy when reference ceases
1501	Records documenting the management and use of translation services.	Destroy 1 year after action completed

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Data Administration

The activities associated with maintaining and using the data that is held in a system, either automated or manual. Includes the maintenance of data dictionaries.

Entry No

Description of Records

1502 Records do formats or f

Records documenting the migration of records between formats or from one medium to another eg paper to electronic ie scanning of paper records into an electronic system. Includes quality assurance checks to confirm the accuracy of information transfer.

[For migration strategies and quality assurance checks for migration between electronic systems and from one electronic medium to another, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Data Administration.

For direction on the destruction of records of short term value that have been copied, use General Disposal Authority 22.]

Disposal Action

Destroy 1 year after action completed



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Disposal

The process of disposing of property no longer required by the organisation, by sale, transfer, termination of lease, auction, donation or destruction. Includes destruction or transfer to archives, and the program of activities to facilitate the orderly transfer of semi-active and inactive records from current office space into storage.

For the development of Records Disposal Authorities specific to the operations of an agency, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Policy.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1503

Records documenting the transfer, destruction and storage of records according to National Archives directives. Includes copies of:

Destroy when reference ceases

- · transfer proposals
- consignment lists
- lists of records destroyed
- lists of records transferred to alternative storage providers.

[For lists of records destroyed if master control records are not annotated, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Control.

For the transfer of records to another agency following an administrative change, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Restructuring.]

1504



Records documenting the transfer of custody, under archives legislation (currently Section 24 (2) (b) of the Archives Act 1983), to or from a contractor under an outsourcing arrangement.

Destroy 3 years after contract is terminated or completed

1505



Records documenting arrangement for the transfer of ownership of records under archives legislation, (currently Section 24 (2) (b) of the Archives Act 1983), following the corporatisation and privatisation of an agency, or part of an agency. Includes liaison with the National Archives.

Retain as national archives

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Disposal - Continued

The process of disposing of property no longer required by the organisation, by sale, transfer, termination of lease, auction, donation or destruction. Includes destruction or transfer to archives, and the program of activities to facilitate the orderly transfer of semi-active and inactive records from current office space into storage.

For the development of Records Disposal Authorities specific to the operations of an agency, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Policy.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1506

Records documenting the culling of library collections and collections of non-agency publications in accordance with Purchasing Australia's Guidelines for Surplus Asset Disposal, Canberra, Australian Government Publishing Service, 1996.

[For the disposal of duplicate agency publications, use PUBLICATIONS - Disposal.]

Destroy when reference ceases

Distribution

The activities associated with disseminating items, correspondence, or publications through sales, deliveries, or other customer services.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1507



Records documenting the internal and external distribution of correspondence and other information items (eg paper files, newspaper clippings and mail) within the agency. Includes:

Destroy when superseded

- distribution lists
- advice on changes of location.

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Donations

The activities associated with managing money, items, artefacts or property donated to the organisation, or by the organisation and or its staff to charities etc. Includes managing unsolicited donations.

This function/activity set should not be used by agencies where public donations are used to support core functions eg National Library of Australia or by institutions accepting donations under Commonwealth Gift schemes eg Cultural Gifts Program. In these instances coverage should be included in such agencies own functional Records Disposal Authority

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1508

Records documenting donations of library or manuscript materials to an agency. Includes liaison with the owner on conditions of donation. Destroy 7 years after disposal of item

[For the disposal of library material after culling collections, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Disposal.]

Enquiries

The activities associated with the handling of requests for information about the organisation and its services by the general public, agency employees or another organisation.

For enquiries received from the general public about the agency's programs, products and services, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Enquiries.

For the management of requests from the public for access to records under the FOI, Privacy and Archives Acts and other Acts specific to the agency, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Cases.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1509

Records documenting the handling of enquiries from agency employees or another government organisations covering the information management function. Includes records relating to the National Archives lending service. Destroy 1 year after action completed

[For records supporting library loans and inter-library loans, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Control.

For records relating to copies of inter-library loan payments, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Acquisitions.]

1510

Records documenting the management of discovery orders and subpoenas. Includes detailed lists and copies of records found.

Destroy 3 years after action completed

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Evaluation

The process of determining the suitability of potential or existing programs, items of equipment, systems or services in relation to meeting the needs of the given situation. Includes systems analysis and ongoing monitoring.

For the evaluation of the technological aspects of library and recordkeeping systems, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Evaluation.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1511



Records documenting the evaluation of potential or existing information management services and systems. Includes the evaluation of library and recordkeeping systems.

Destroy 7 years after evaluation completed

Implementation

The activities associated with carrying out or putting into action, plans, policies, procedures or instructions, all of which could be internally or externally driven. Includes manual or automated databases, applications or systems, but excludes the installation of equipment. Also includes monitoring to ensure that the implementation goes according to schedule and that standards are met and first aid treatment.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1512



Records documenting the implementation of library systems and recordkeeping systems within an agency.

Destroy 7 years after implementation is completed

[For staff training to implement a new systems, use STAFF DEVELOPMENT - Training.

For the technological aspects of implementing library and recordkeeping systems, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Implementation.]

1513



Records documenting the implementation of vital records plans and counter-disaster plans after disasters such as fire or floods, and implementation of emergency destruction plans covering the organisation's information resources. Includes a copy of current plan implemented for the disaster recovery process.

[For the development of the counter-disaster plan, vital records plan, and other plans relating to the information management function, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Planning.]

Retain as national archives

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Inspections

The process of official examinations of facilities, equipment and items, to ensure compliance with agreed standards and objectives.

Entry No 1514

Description of Records

Records documenting inspections of agency records by a monitoring agency such as the National Archives and the Australian National Audit Office or any inspections of

copyright records.

[For copies of copyright declaration forms, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT- Intellectual Property.

For records relating to formal audits, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Audit.]

Disposal Action

Destroy 4 years after action completed



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Intellectual Property

The activities involved in managing the agency's intellectual property, both published and unpublished, and the use of material held by the agency in which another party owns the intellectual property. Includes the management of copyright, design, patents and trademarks, royalties and matters of confidentiality such as trade secrets which are not available to the public under Freedom of Information (FOI) legislation.

For applications made to reproduce published material, use PUBLICATIONS - Intellectual Property.

For the establishment and general management of intellectual property, use LEGAL SERVICES - Intellectual Property.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal ActionDestroy 7 years

after action

completed

1515



Records documenting the management of copying services in an agency. Includes the administration of payments made to collecting societies and any sampling undertaken to support the payment process.

[For the payment of money to collecting societies, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

For guidelines and procedures to support the administration of reproduction services in the agency, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Procedures.]

1516

Copyright declaration forms.



Destroy 4 years after action completed

[For inspections carried out by copyright owners of declaration forms and other records supporting the administration of copyright in the agency, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Inspections.]

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Inventory

The activities associated with listing and preparing lists of items and assets in the possession of the organisation.

For the conduct of a file census, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Audit.

For inventories of records transferred between agencies following an administrative change, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Restructuring.

For lists of records transferred to the National Archives or alternative storage providers, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Disposal.

For inventories of equipment used in information management areas, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Inventory.

Entry No Description of Rec	cords
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1517

Routine inventories of library materials. Includes inventories created for shelf checking.

Disposal Action

Destroy 1 year after action completed

Marketing

The process of analysing, creating and selling products and services. Includes market research, sales forecasting, advertising, media releases, promotion, pricing and product evaluation.

Entry No

1518

Description of Records

Records documenting the promotion of library and records management unit services. Includes customer profiles.

Disposal Action

Destroy when reference ceases



[For training staff in the efficient use of an agency information unit, use STAFF DEVELOPMENT - Training.]

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Meetings

The activities associated with ad-hoc gatherings held to formulate, discuss, update, or resolve issues and matters pertaining to the management of the section, department, or organisation as a whole. Includes arrangements, agenda, taking of minutes etc. Excludes committee meetings.

Entry No Description of Records

Disposal Action

1519

Final version of minutes and supporting documents tabled at meetings held to support the information management function. Includes meetings with external agencies. Destroy 3 years after action completed

1520



Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of meetings held to support the information management function. Includes agenda, notices of meetings and draft minutes.

Destroy when reference ceases

reference ceases

INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

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Planning

The process of formulating ways in which objectives can be achieved. Includes determination of services, needs and solutions to those needs.

Entry No Description of Records Disposal Action 1521 Final versions of agency-wide information management Destroy 5 years plans. Includes: after plan is superseded · Vital records plans • Emergency destruction plans • Counter-disaster plans [For the implementation of a counter-disaster plan, vital records plan and emergency destruction plan covering the information management function, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Implementation.] Final version of a section or business unit's information 1522 Destroy 3 years management plans, including state, regional or overseas after plan is office. superseded Working papers used to develop all information 1523 Destroy when management plans. Includes draft plans, reports analysing reference ceases issue, and comments received from areas of the agency. 1524 Copies of all information management plans. Destroy when

Destroy when reference ceases

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Policy

1528

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Disposal Action Entry No **Description of Records** 1525 Records documenting the development and establishment Destroy 5 years of the agency's information management policies. Includes: after policy is superseded Information management security policy Library collection development policy · Recordkeeping policy · E-mail policy. Includes policy proposals, research papers, results of consultations, supporting reports and major drafts and the final policy documents. 1526 Records documenting comments made on the development Destroy 3 years of government-wide information management policies. after promulgation of the new policy 1527 Working papers documenting the development of Destroy 3 years information management policies. Includes drafts and input after promulgation from other areas of the agency. of the new policy

Copies of policy documents and supporting papers.

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Policy - Continued

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

reference ceases

Destroy when

1529



Records documenting the creation of the agency's Records Disposal Authority. Includes supporting documentation required by the National Archives and a copy of the final authority.

[For the master copy of the business classification schemes developed as the foundation document for the Records Disposal Authority, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Control.

For records documenting the transfer, destruction and storage of records, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Disposal.

For the recordkeeping risk assessment report, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Risk Management.]

1530



Snapshot of agency's recordkeeping requirement data taken at the point when recordkeeping instructions are issued.

Destroy 5 years after recordkeeping instruction is superseded

1531



Records documenting the on-going maintenance and review of agency recordkeeping.

Destroy when reference ceases

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Privacy

The activities associated with applying the principles of privacy. Includes data protection in relation to privacy. Also includes the process of collection, handling, use and disclosure of records of a private, personal, or confidential nature to maintain that the rights of a living person (or immediate family) are secure from unauthorised disclosure or access to such information.

For negotiations between an individual and the agency relating to the amendment or alteration of records under the Privacy Act, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Cases.

For privacy audits, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Audits.

For the mechanisms to protect privacy of information, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Security.

For records relating to data matching exercises, use General Disposal Authority 24

Entry No 1532	Description of Records Records documenting the application of the Information Privacy Principles (IPP) outlined in the Privacy Act 1988. Includes records relating to the development of access restrictions.	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after action completed
1533	Investigations into alleged privacy breaches relating to information management. Includes unauthorised disposal of records containing personal information.	Destroy 5 years after investigation of breach

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Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1534	Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc detailing procedures supporting the information management function.	Destroy when procedures are superseded
1535	Records documenting the development of agency procedures supporting the information management function. Excludes documents supporting the development of agency recordkeeping rules.	Destroy 1 year after completion of procedures
1536 	Master copy of recordkeeping rules/guidelines of the agency. [For recordkeeping requirements data, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Policy.]	Retain as national archives
1537	Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

For reporting of the agency file title list to the Senate, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Compliance.

Entry No 1538	Description of Records Final version of formal internal reports and reports made to external agencies relating to the information management function.	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after action completed
1539	Final version of periodic internal reports on general administrative matters used to monitor and document recurring activities to support the information management function. Includes cumulative summary reports and work progress reports.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
1540	Working papers documenting the development of all reports. Includes drafts and comments received.	Destroy 1 year after action completed
1541	Copies of information management reports.	Destroy when reference ceases
1542	Responses to information management surveys requested by other agencies or by the central office of an agency.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
	[For customer services surveys, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Customer Services.]	

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Research

The activities involved in investigating or enquiring into a subject or area of interest in order to discover facts, principles etc. Used to support the development of projects, standards, guidelines etc and the business activities of the organisation in general. Includes following up enquiries relating to organisational programs, projects, working papers, literature searches etc.

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Description of Records

Disposal Action



Records documenting detailed research carried out to support the information management function.

Destroy 3 years after research is completed

1544

Records documenting routine research carried out to support the information management function.

Destroy when reference ceases

Restructuring

The activities involved in the reassessment of the activities, goals and structure of an organisation. Includes consideration of the number of staff, their position descriptions, equipment, and other resources required to meet objectives.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1545

Records documenting functions which have been transferred to another Commonwealth agency or institution.

Transfer to Commonwealth agency or institution

[For the transfer of records documenting functions transferred to a non-Commonwealth institution, refer to the National Archives for authorisation.]

1546



List of records and other supporting documentation for transferring records to another agency following an administrative change.

Destroy when the new information is transferred to master control records

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Reviewing

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1547	Records documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the information management function. Includes documents establishing the review, final	Destroy 5 years after action completed
	version of the report and the action plan.	
1548	Working papers documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the information management function.	Destroy 2 years after action completed

Risk Management

The process involving the identification of risks, the likelihood and consequences of those risks, and the implementation of appropriate practice and procedures to treat the risks.

Entry No 1549	Description of Records Records documenting risk management relating to the information management function. Includes documentation covering each stage of the process, treatment schedules and action plans.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after next risk assessment
1550	Risk register relating to the information management function.	Destroy 7 years after next risk assessment

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Security

The activities associated with measures taken to protect people, premises, equipment or information from accidental or intentional damage or from unauthorised access. Includes the security classification of personnel and criminal record checks.

For breaches of privacy of information, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Privacy.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1551



Records documenting major security breaches where classified records and information have been removed from official custody and passed to a third party. Includes referral to law enforcement authorities.

Retain as national archives

[For disciplinary action against staff for security related breaches involving records and information, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.]

1552



Records documenting minor security breaches where classified records and information have not been appropriately secured.

Destroy 5 years after last action

[For disciplinary action against staff for security related breaches involving records and information, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.]

1553



Records documenting the management of security arrangements for handling records and information (eg mail) within an agency. Includes:

Destroy 5 years after last action

- classified document registers eg register of Cabinet documents
- safe hand registers
- · safe hand receipts.

[For the destruction of classified waste, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Maintenance.]

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Standards

The process of implementing industry or organisational benchmarks for services and processes to enhance the quality and efficiency of the organisation.

For compliance with standards (except where other activities apply), use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Compliance.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action



Records documenting the implementation of industry and agency standards to support the information management function (eg Australian Standard AS 4390–1996 Records Management).

Destroy 7 years after standard is implemented

Submissions

The preparation and submission of a formal statement (eg report, statistics, etc) supporting a case or opinion held by the organisation which is submitted to another organisation, or within the organisation, for the purpose of either gain or support.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1555

Records documenting the preparation of agency submissions seeking support for an information management project. Destroy 3 years after action completed

Suggestions

The process of using suggestions from personnel and the public to improve the services and processes of the organisation.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1556

Records documenting suggestions received and used to improve information management services.

Destroy 2 years after action completed

INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

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Tendering

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 1557	Description of Records Records documenting the development and issue of tender documentation. Includes Statement of Requirements, Request for Proposals, Expression of Interest, Request for Tender (RFT) and draft contract.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1558	Evaluation of tenders received against selection criteria. Includes records documenting arrangements for carrying out the evaluation process, evaluation report, recommendations, final report and public notices.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1559	Records documenting post-offer negotiations and due diligence checks.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1560	Records of unsuccessful tenders or a tender process where there is no suitable bidder, or where the tender process has been discontinued. Includes submissions, notification of outcome and reports on debriefing sessions.	Destroy 2 years after tender process completed or decision made not to continue with the tender
1561	Tender register	Destroy 7 years after last entry
1562	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Western Australia.	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract
1563	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia.	Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract

INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

The function of managing the organisation's information resources. Includes creating, capturing, registering, classifying, indexing, storing, retrieving and disposing of records and developing strategies to manage records. Also includes the acquisition, control and disposal of library and other information products, items kept for reference purposes and the provision of services to internal and external customers, based on information resources. Data administration, archival records and the handling of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are also classified under this keyword.

Tendering - Continued

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 1564	Description of Records Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory.	Disposal Action Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
1565	Signed simple contracts and agreements resulting from tenders and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
1566	Contract register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry

The function of providing legal services to the organisation. Includes the interpretation and provision of advice to the organisation regarding legal matters, the drawing up of legal agreements and the handling of legal actions and disputes. Also includes legal advice received from in-house consultants and external sources.

Advice

The activities associated with offering opinions by or to the organisation as to an action or judgement. Includes the process of advising.

Entry No **Description of Records Disposal Action** 1567 Retain as national Records documenting advice received from an internal or external legal service provider relating to: archives Cabinet matters international law national security · agency-wide industrial issues • interpretation of an agency's own legislation • proposal for new or amended agency legislation. Includes instructions to the provider, records of ongoing discussions, revisions of instructions and drafts. [For advice given on claims, infringements, inquiries, intellectual property and litigation, use these activities attached to LEGAL SERVICES.] 1568 Records documenting all other advice received from an Destroy 5 years internal or external legal service provider. after action completed 1569 Copies of legal advice. Destroy when reference ceases

[For payments made to legal providers, use FINANCIAL

MANAGEMENT - Accounting.]

The function of providing legal services to the organisation. Includes the interpretation and provision of advice to the organisation regarding legal matters, the drawing up of legal agreements and the handling of legal actions and disputes. Also includes legal advice received from in-house consultants and external sources.

Agreements

The processes associated with the establishment, maintenance, review and negotiation of agreements.

Entry No 1570	Description of Records Final versions of agreements made covering the legal services function and supporting documents	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after expiry or other termination of agreement
1571 	Signed deeds of release and deeds of indemnity and other similar agreements and supporting documents.	Destroy after indemnity ceases
1572 	Signed agreements and contracts under seal and supporting records: Western Australia.	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract
1573 	Signed agreement and contracts under seal and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia.	Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract
1574	Signed agreements and contracts under seal and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory.	Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
1575	Signed simple contracts and agreements resulting from tenders and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of agreement or contract

The function of providing legal services to the organisation. Includes the interpretation and provision of advice to the organisation regarding legal matters, the drawing up of legal agreements and the handling of legal actions and disputes. Also includes legal advice received from in-house consultants and external sources.

Claims

The process of administering and managing payments demanded in accordance with an insurance policy as compensation for injury, death, or denial of rights of a person, or damage to or destruction of property. Includes disputes over rights and ownership, and recompense sought for stolen or lost property.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action



Records documenting the provision of legal representation relating to claims that do not proceed to litigation or settlement by an agreement. Includes withdrawn claims.

Destroy 7 years after settlement or withdrawal of claim

[For a claim proceeding to a lawsuit or other legal proceedings, use LEGAL SERVICES - Litigation.

For negotiations and drafting of final copies of deeds of release and deeds indemnity for the settlement of claims, use LEGAL SERVICES - Agreements.

For settlement of COMPENSATION and OH&S claims without legal intervention, use those functions.]

The function of providing legal services to the organisation. Includes the interpretation and provision of advice to the organisation regarding legal matters, the drawing up of legal agreements and the handling of legal actions and disputes. Also includes legal advice received from in-house consultants and external sources.

Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

1577

Records of internal and external committees formed to consider matters relating to the legal services function. Includes:

- documents establishing the committee
- · final version of minutes
- copies of legal advice
- reports
- · recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

Disposal Action

Destroy 5 years after action completed

1578



Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of committees which consider the legal services function. Includes:

Destroy when reference ceases

- agenda
- notices of meetings
- · draft minutes.

Compliance

The activities associated with complying with mandatory or optional accountability, fiscal, legal, regulatory or quality standards or requirements to which the organisation is subject. Includes compliance with legislation and with national and international standards, such as the ISO 9000 series.

Other activities within this function may also be relevant to the Compliance activity.

Entry No

1579

Description of Records

Records documenting agency compliance with mandatory or optional standards or with statutory requirements relating to the legal services function. Includes those set out in:

Disposal Action Destroy 7 years

after action completed

- Legal Services Directions issued by the Attorney-General under Section 55ZF of the Judiciary Act 1903
- Quality System Guidelines AS/NZS 3905:6:1995 for the Legal Profession.

The function of providing legal services to the organisation. Includes the interpretation and provision of advice to the organisation regarding legal matters, the drawing up of legal agreements and the handling of legal actions and disputes. Also includes legal advice received from in-house consultants and external sources.

Contracting-out

The activities involved in managing the performance of work or the provision of goods and services by an external contractor, vendor or consultant, or by using external bureau services. Includes outsourcing.

For information on records issues relating to outsourcing and contracting-out see General Disposal Authority 25.

Entry No

Description of Records

1580

Records documenting contract management relating to the legal services function. Includes:

- minutes of meetings with main stakeholders
- · performance and evaluation reports .

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract

Infringements

The activities associated with handling breaches of rules. Includes driving or traffic infringements and infringements of the organisation's intellectual property.

Entry No

1581

Description of Records

Records documenting infringements or breaches of mandatory standards, rules or statutory requirements that do not proceed to litigation. Includes notifications of breaches and investigations and negotiations.

[For cases that proceed to litigation, use LEGAL SERVICES - Litigation.

For driving or traffic infringements, use FLEET MANAGEMENT - Infringements.

For infringements by staff, use PERSONNEL -Infringements.]

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after action completed

The function of providing legal services to the organisation. Includes the interpretation and provision of advice to the organisation regarding legal matters, the drawing up of legal agreements and the handling of legal actions and disputes. Also includes legal advice received from in-house consultants and external sources.

Inquiries

The activities associated with liaising with bodies carrying out inquiries, and participating in them. Inquiries are investigations carried out by persons or bodies who have been empowered to inquire and report on a subject, such as Royal Commissions, Parliamentary and Ombudsman's inquiries. Includes the organisation's participation in the inquiry by providing evidence in the form of records, submissions or staff.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action



Records documenting legal support given to an agency either conducting an inquiry or participating in an inquiry.

Destroy 3 years after final report of inquiry is released

[For a consolidated record of an agency's involvement in an inquiry, including agency submissions, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Inquiries.]

Intellectual Property

The activities involved in managing the agency's intellectual property, both published and unpublished, and the use of material held by the agency in which another party owns the intellectual property. Includes the management of copyright, design, patents and trademarks, royalties and matters of confidentiality such as trade secrets which are not available to the public under Freedom of Information (FOI) legislation.

For handling infringements of an agency's intellectual property, use LEGAL SERVICES - Infringements.

For the payment and receipt of royalties, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1583

Records documenting the establishment and general management of an agency's intellectual property. Includes:

Destroy 3 years after intellectual property rights lapse

- patents
- trademarks
- designs
- plant breeder's rights
- circuit layouts
- trade secrets
- all forms of copyright.

[For the management of copyright arrangements for publications, use PUBLICATION - Intellectual Property.]

1584

Records documenting unsuccessful or abandoned attempts to establish intellectual property rights.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

The function of providing legal services to the organisation. Includes the interpretation and provision of advice to the organisation regarding legal matters, the drawing up of legal agreements and the handling of legal actions and disputes. Also includes legal advice received from in-house consultants and external sources.

Litigation

The activities involved in managing lawsuits or legal proceedings between the agency and other parties in a court or other tribunal. Includes briefs for counsel; copies of documents required by or lodged with a court; consultation with the Attorney-General's Department and other agencies; and records documenting compliance with court instructions eg subpoenas and discovery orders.

Entry No 1585	Description of Records Records documenting litigation matters where legal precedents are set.	Disposal Action Retain as national archives
1586	Records documenting litigation matters that do not set legal precedents.	Destroy 7 years after action ceases
	[For appeals to decisions of a court or tribunal relating to INFORMATION MANAGEMENT and COMPENSATION, use the activity Appeals against these functions.	

For subpoenas and discovery orders, use INFORMATION

MANAGEMENT - Enquiries.]

Meetings

The activities associated with ad-hoc gatherings held to formulate, discuss, update, or resolve issues and matters pertaining to the management of the section, department, or organisation as a whole. Includes arrangements, agenda, taking of minutes etc. Excludes committee meetings.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1587	Final version of minutes and related documents tabled at meetings held to support the legal services function. Includes meetings with external agencies.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
1588	Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of meetings held to support the legal services function. Includes agenda, notices of meetings and draft minutes.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of providing legal services to the organisation. Includes the interpretation and provision of advice to the organisation regarding legal matters, the drawing up of legal agreements and the handling of legal actions and disputes. Also includes legal advice received from in-house consultants and external sources.

Planning

The process of formulating ways in which objectives can be achieved. Includes determination of services, needs and solutions to those needs.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1589 	Final version of agency-wide legal services plans.	Destroy 5 years after plan is superseded
1590	Final version of a section or business unit's legal services plans, including state, regional or overseas office.	Destroy 3 years after plan is
	plans, including state, regional of overseas office.	superseded
1591	Working papers used in developing all legal services plans. Includes draft plans, reports analysing issues, and	Destroy 1 year after adoption of the final
	comments received from and input made by other areas of the agency.	plan
1592	Copies of legal services plans.	Destroy when
		reference ceases

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Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1593	Records documenting the development and establishment of the agency's legal services policies. Includes:	Destroy 5 years after policy is superseded
	 policy proposals research papers results of consultations supporting reports major drafts final policy documents. 	
1594	Records documenting comments made on the development of government-wide legal services policies.	Destroy 2 years after promulgation of new policy
1595	Working papers documenting the development of all legal services policies.	Destroy 2 years after promulgation of new policy
1596	Copies of policy documents and supporting papers.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of providing legal services to the organisation. Includes the interpretation and provision of advice to the organisation regarding legal matters, the drawing up of legal agreements and the handling of legal actions and disputes. Also includes legal advice received from in-house consultants and external sources.

Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No 1597	Description of Records Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc detailing procedures supporting the legal services function.	Disposal Action Destroy when procedures are
		superseded
1598 	Records documenting the development of agency procedures supporting the legal services function.	Destroy 1 year after production of procedures
1599	Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc.	Destroy when reference ceases

Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

Entry No 1600	Description of Records Final version of formal internal reports and reports made to external agencies relating to the legal services function.	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after action completed
1601	Final version of periodic internal reports on general administrative matters used to monitor and document recurring activities to support the legal services function.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
1602	Working papers documenting the development of all reports. Includes drafts and comments received.	Destroy 1 year after action completed
1603	Copies of legal services reports.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Research

The activities involved in investigating or enquiring into a subject or area of interest in order to discover facts, principles etc. Used to support the development of projects, standards, guidelines etc and the business activities of the organisation in general. Includes following up enquiries relating to organisational programs, projects, working papers, literature searches etc.

Entry No 1604	Description of Records Records documenting detailed research carried out to support the legal services function.	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after action completed
1605	Records documenting routine research carried out to support the legal services function.	Destroy when reference ceases

Reviewing

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

Entry No 1606	Description of Records Records documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the legal services function. Includes documents establishing the review, final report and action plan	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after action completed
1607	Working papers documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the legal services function.	Destroy 2 years after action completed

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Submissions

The preparation and submission of a formal statement (eg report, statistics, etc) supporting a case or opinion held by the organisation which is submitted to another organisation, or within the organisation, for the purpose of either gain or support.

Entry No 1608

Description of Records

Records documenting the preparation of agency submissions.

Destroy 3 years after action completed

Disposal Action

[For agency submissions to government, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

For agency submissions to community bodies, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Submissions.]

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Tendering

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1609	Records documenting the development and issue of tender documentation. Includes Statement of Requirements, Request for Proposals, Expression of Interest, Request for Tender (RFT) and draft contract.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1610	Evaluation of tenders received against selection criteria. Inductions records documenting arrangements for carrying our the evaluation process, evaluation report, recommendations, final report and public notices.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1611	Records documenting post-offer negotiations and due diligence checks.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1612	Records of unsuccessful tenders or a tender process, where there is no suitable bidder, or where the tender process has been discontinued. Includes submissions, notification of outcome and reports on debriefing sessions.	Destroy 2 years after tender process completed or decision made not to continue with the tender
1613	Tender register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry
1614	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Western Australia.	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract
1615	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia.	Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract

LEGAL SERVICES

The function of providing legal services to the organisation. Includes the interpretation and provision of advice to the organisation regarding legal matters, the drawing up of legal agreements and the handling of legal actions and disputes. Also includes legal advice received from in-house consultants and external sources.

Tendering - Continued

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 1616	Description of Records Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: New south Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory.	Disposal Action Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
1617	Signed simple contracts and agreements resulting from tenders and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
1618	Contract register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry

The function of implementing and coordinating occupational health and safety and associated legislation throughout the organisation. Includes safety, occupational hygiene, ergonomic, occupational medicine and first aid measures together with policy, procedural and monitoring matters associated with the organisations' preventive and curative OH&S program. Includes the establishment of committees to investigate and advise on health and safety issues in the workplace.

Accidents

The activities involved in dealing with mishaps causing injury or damage. Includes damage or injury to the organisation's property or member of staff incurred while coming to, at, or leaving work, or to the general public or visitors whilst on the organisation's premises. Also includes measures to prevent accidents occurring.

Entry No

Description of Records

Cases.

Disposal ActionDestroy 30 years

after last action

1619



Accident/incident reports and supporting documentation of death, serious personal injury, dangerous occurrences and incapacity to Commonwealth employees and the public within the workplace. Includes accident registers.

within the workplace. Includes accident registers.

[For copies of accident reports for employees where a compensation claim is made, use COMPENSATION -

For copies of accident reports where an employee is injured but no compensation claim is lodged, use PERSONNEL -Accidents.1

1620



All other accident/incident reports for Commonwealth employees retained for agency OH&S assessment purposes.

Destroy 7 years after last action

1621



Accident/incident reports of personal injuries to members of the public aged under 18 years, not resulting in claims for compensation.

Destroy when person reaches 25 years of age, or 7 years after last action, whichever is later

[For copies of accident reports where a claim for compensation is submitted by a member of the public following an accident, use COMPENSATION - Claims.]

1622



Accident/incident reports of personal injuries to members of the public aged over 18 years, not resulting in claims for compensation.

Destroy 7 years after last action

[For copies of accident reports where a claim for compensation is submitted by a member of the public following an accident, use COMPENSATION - Claims.]

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Advice

The activities associated with offering opinions by or to the organisation as to an action or judgement. Includes the process of advising.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1623

Records relating to the receipt and provision of advice on the OH&S function. Destroy 2 years after action completed

[For the distribution of promotional material to employees, use OH&S - Health Promotion.

For legal advice on OH&S matters, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice.]

Agreements

The processes associated with the establishment, maintenance, review and negotiation of agreements.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1624

Final version of an agency OH&S agreement.

Destroy 5 years after agreement is

superseded

1625

Records documenting negotiations for and establishment, maintenance and review of an agency OH&S agreement.

Destroy 5 years after agreement is superseded

Appeals (decisions)

The activities involved in the process of appeals against decisions by application to a higher authority.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1626

Records documenting an appeal made by the agency against an investigator's decision on a health and safety matter to the Australian Industrial Relations Commission.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

[For any legal advice received on the conduct of the appeal, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice.]

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Audit

The activities associated with officially checking financial, quality assurance and operational records to ensure they have been kept and maintained in accordance with agreed or legislated standards and correctly record the events, processes and business of the organisation in a specified period. Includes compliance audits, financial audits, operational audits, recordkeeping audits, skills audits, system audits and quality assurance audits.

For inspections, use OH&S - Inspections.

Entry No Description of Records

1627

Final reports of health and safety audits conducted by an external authority or internally by the agency.

Disposal Action

Destroy 5 years after action completed

1628



Records documenting the planning and conduct of externally and internally audits relating to the OH&S function. Includes:

Destroy 5 years after action completed

- liaison with the auditing body
- minutes of meetings
- notes taken at opening and exit interviews
- draft report
- · comments.

Authorisation

The process of delegating power to authorise an action and the seeking and granting permission to undertake a requested action.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1629

Delegations of power to agency staff to authorise administrative action relating to the OH&S function.

Destroy 5 years after delegation superseded

1630



Authorisations for administrative actions relating to the OH&S function.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

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Cases

This activity descriptor should be used where there is a need to keep a number of activities together on one file, for legislative or operational reasons. Case files relate to particular incidents, persons, organisations or clients.

Entry No

1631

Description of Records

Records documenting medical examinations of employees which are undertaken for health surveillance purposes as prescribed under the Occupational Health & Safety (Commonwealth Employment) Act 1991.

[For recording potential exposure to hazardous substances, including asbestos, or for records detailing that an employee was employed at places identified as containing a hazardous substance, use PERSONNEL - Employment

Disposal Action

Destroy in the year 2040 or 75 years after date of birth whichever is later

Claims

The process of administering and managing payments demanded in accordance with an insurance policy as compensation for injury, death, or denial of rights of a person, or damage to or destruction of property. Includes disputes over rights and ownership, and recompense sought for stolen or lost property.

Entry No Description of Records

Conditions.]

Disposal Action

N/A

[For a claim lodged for compensation by an employee following an OH&S incident, use COMPENSATION - Cases.

For a claim lodged by a member of the public following an OH&S incident, use COMPENSATION - Claims.]

The function of implementing and coordinating occupational health and safety and associated legislation throughout the organisation. Includes safety, occupational hygiene, ergonomic, occupational medicine and first aid measures together with policy, procedural and monitoring matters associated with the organisations' preventive and curative OH&S program. Includes the establishment of committees to investigate and advise on health and safety issues in the workplace.

Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

For selection or election of employee representatives to a Health & Safety Committee and the nomination of union representatives, use OH&S - Representatives.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1632

Records of health and safety committees. Includes:

Destroy 5 years after action completed

- . .
 - documents establishing the committee
 - final versions of minutes
 - reports
 - recommendations
 - supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

1633



Records of other internal committees and external committees convened by other agencies or organisations to consider general matters relating to the OH&S function. Includes:

Destroy 5 years after action completed

- · documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

1634



Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of all committees formed to consider general matters relating to the OH&S function. Includes:

Destroy when reference ceases

- agenda
- notices of minutes
- draft minutes
- arrangements with unions.

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Compliance

The activities associated with complying with mandatory or optional accountability, fiscal, legal, regulatory or quality standards or requirements to which the organisation is subject. Includes compliance with legislation and with national and international standards, such as the ISO 9000 series.

For a risk assessment undertaken for hazardous substances, use OH&S - Risk Management.

For health surveillance of individual employees exposed to hazardous substances, use OH&S - Cases.

For the training of staff in handling hazardous substances, use STAFF DEVELOPMENT - Training.

Entry	No
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Description of Records

Disposal Action

1635



Records documenting compliance with provisions of the Occupational Health & Safety (Commonwealth Employment) Act 1991 and the Occupational Health and Safety (Commonwealth Employment) (National Standards) Regulations such as:

Destroy when the need for compliance ceases eg when plant is disposed of

- plant testing and maintenance and
- applications for the registration of the design of plant.

1636



Records documenting the licensing processes for the operation of plant items.

Destroy when licence expires

1637



Records documenting the identification and control of access to confined spaces.

Destroy 5 years after space is no longer accessed

1638



All notices issued under the Occupational Health & Safety (Commonwealth Employment) Act 1991 eg Provisional Improvement Notices.

Destroy 5 years after notice lapses

1639



Records documenting environmental monitoring of hazardous substances listed in Schedule 2 of the Occupational Health & Safety (Commonwealth Employment) (National Standards) Regulations.

Destroy 75 years after last action

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Compliance - Continued

The activities associated with complying with mandatory or optional accountability, fiscal, legal, regulatory or quality standards or requirements to which the organisation is subject. Includes compliance with legislation and with national and international standards, such as the ISO 9000 series.

For a risk assessment undertaken for hazardous substances, use OH&S - Risk Management.

For health surveillance of individual employees exposed to hazardous substances, use OH&S - Cases.

For the training of staff in handling hazardous substances, use STAFF DEVELOPMENT - Training.

Entry No Description of Records

Disposal Action

1640

Hazardous substance register (including asbestos register) identifying substance properties and details of their

condition.

Destroy 75 years after last entry

[For the inspection of hazardous substances including asbestos, use OH&S - Inspections.]

1641



Records documenting the payment of the annual compulsory contribution supporting the administration of the Occupational Health & Safety (Commonwealth Employment) Act 1991 required under Part 4A.

Destroy 10 years after action completed

Contracting-out

The activities involved in managing the performance of work or the provision of goods and services by an external contractor, vendor or consultant, or by using external bureau services. Includes outsourcing.

For information on records issues relating to outsourcing and contracting-out see General Disposal Authority 25.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1642

Records documenting contract management relating to the OH&S function. Includes:

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract

- minutes of meetings with main stakeholders
- performance and evaluation reports.

The function of implementing and coordinating occupational health and safety and associated legislation throughout the organisation. Includes safety, occupational hygiene, ergonomic, occupational medicine and first aid measures together with policy, procedural and monitoring matters associated with the organisations' preventive and curative OH&S program. Includes the establishment of committees to investigate and advise on health and safety issues in the workplace.

Evaluation

The process of determining the suitability of potential or existing programs, items of equipment, systems or services in relation to meeting the needs of the given situation. Includes systems analysis and ongoing monitoring.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1643

Records documenting the evaluation of OH&S programs and services in an agency. Includes the development of performance indicators.

Destroy 5 years after last action



The function of implementing and coordinating occupational health and safety and associated legislation throughout the organisation. Includes safety, occupational hygiene, ergonomic, occupational medicine and first aid measures together with policy, procedural and monitoring matters associated with the organisations' preventive and curative OH&S program. Includes the establishment of committees to investigate and advise on health and safety issues in the workplace.

Health Promotion

The process of promotion by the organisation of programs which encourage the establishment and maintenance of a healthy work environment.

For records documenting the treatment or health surveillance of individual employees, use OH&S - Cases.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1644



Records documenting the management of an agency's first aid centres and occupational health centres and facilities eg. gymnasiums. Includes:

Destroy 5 years after last action

- · appointment books
- drug and x-ray registers
- statistical summaries of operations.

[For the appointment of first aid officers use, OH&S - Representatives.

For the provision of first aid treatment to individuals, use OH&S - Implementation.

For the equipping of the centres including the supply of medical stores and equipment, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Acquisition, and PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Fit-outs.

For the maintenance of equipment eg autoclaves and the replenishment of first aid kits, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Maintenance.]

1645



Records documenting the promotion of safe work practices in the workplace. Includes the development and distribution of notices, instructions, posters and other promotional material.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

[For the provision of OH&S training to staff, managers and OH&S Representatives, use STAFF DEVELOPMENT - Training.

For the production process for any advertising material produced by the agency, use PUBLICATION - Production.]

1646

Material safety data sheets (MSDS)



Destroy when hazardous material is disposed of

The function of implementing and coordinating occupational health and safety and associated legislation throughout the organisation. Includes safety, occupational hygiene, ergonomic, occupational medicine and first aid measures together with policy, procedural and monitoring matters associated with the organisations' preventive and curative OH&S program. Includes the establishment of committees to investigate and advise on health and safety issues in the workplace.

Implementation

The activities associated with carrying out or putting into action, plans, policies, procedures or instructions, all of which could be internally or externally driven. Includes manual or automated databases, applications or systems, but excludes the installation of equipment. Also includes monitoring to ensure that the implementation goes according to schedule and that standards are met and first aid treatment.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1647

Records documenting the provision of first aid treatment to individual employees.

Destroy 5 years after last action

[For records relating to the management of a first aid centre, use OH&S - Health Promotion.]

Inquiries

The activities associated with liaising with bodies carrying out inquiries, and participating in them. Inquiries are investigations carried out by persons or bodies who have been empowered to inquire and report on a subject, such as Royal Commissions, Parliamentary and Ombudsman's inquiries. Includes the organisation's participation in the inquiry by providing evidence in the form of records, submissions or staff.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1648

Records documenting an inquiry into an agency's performance of the OH&S function.

Destroy 10 years after action completed



[For any legal advice provided to support the agency during the inquiry process, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice.]

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Inspections

The process of official examinations of facilities, equipment and items, to ensure compliance with agreed standards and objectives.

For audits, use OH&S - Audits.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1649



Records documenting an OH&S inspection resulting from a major accident in the workplace (eg accidents causing fatalities, serious injuries or dangerous occurrences). Includes documents detailing complaints lodged by agencies about the way the investigation was carried out by the lead agency (currently Comcare).

Destroy 75 years after last action

1650



Records documenting routine OH&S inspections carried out under the Commonwealth's lead agency for the function (currently Comcare) Planned Investigation Program and/or self-audit program, or as a result of a safety dispute in the workplace. Includes copies of notices issued, copies of reports, and agency responses. Also includes copies of Provisional Improvement Notices (PINS) and records detailing complaints about the way an investigation was carried out.

Destroy 10 years after last action

[For records relating to an industrial dispute undertaken in respect of an OH&S inspection, use INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS - Inspections.]

1651



Records documenting routine inspections of hazardous substances in the workplace.

Destroy 75 years after last action

[For the hazardous substance and asbestos registers, use OH&S - Compliance.

For monitoring and risk assessment, use OH&S - Risk Management.

For inspections to determine the presence of asbestos or other hazardous materials, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Inspections.

For the removal and disposal of asbestos and other hazardous substances, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Maintenance.]

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Meetings

The activities associated with ad-hoc gatherings held to formulate, discuss, update, or resolve issues and matters pertaining to the management of the section, department, or organisation as a whole. Includes arrangements, agenda, taking of minutes etc. Excludes committee meetings.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1652	Final version of minutes and supporting documents tabled at meetings held to support the OH&S function. Includes meetings with external agencies.	Destroy 5 years after action completed
1653	Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of meetings to support the OH&S function. Includes agenda, notices of meetings and draft minutes.	Destroy when reference ceases

Planning

The process of formulating ways in which objectives can be achieved. Includes determination of services, needs and solutions to those needs.

Entry No 1654	 Description of Records Final versions of agency-wide OH&S plans. Includes: OH&S plan Asbestos management plan. 	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after plan is superseded
1655	Working papers used in developing agency-wide OH&S plans. Includes draft plans, reports analysing issues, and comments received from other areas of the agency.	Destroy 3 years after adoption of the final plan
1656	Copies of all OH&S plans.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1657

Records documenting the development and establishment of an agency's OH&S policy. Includes:

Destroy 5 years after policy is superseded

- · policy proposals
- results of consultations with unions and employees
- · research papers
- supporting reports
- major drafts
- the final document.

[For the development and review of the agency's OH&S agreement, use OH&S - Agreements.

For the development and review of the agency's OH&S plan, use OH&S - Planning.]

1658



Records documenting the development and establishment of an agency asbestos policy. Includes:

Destroy 75 years after removal of asbestos

- policy proposals
- · results of consultations
- research papers
- supporting reports
- major drafts
- final policy documents.

1659



Records documenting comments made on the development of government-wide OH&S policies.

Destroy 3 years after promulgation of the new policy

1660



Working papers documenting the development of all agency-wide OH&S policies. Includes drafts and input from other areas of the agency.

Destroy when reference ceases

1661

Copies of policy documents and supporting papers.

Destroy when reference ceases

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Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No 1662	Description of Records Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc detailing OH&S requirements for specific tasks and work procedures.	Disposal Action Destroy 75 years after procedures are superseded
	[For records relating to emergency procedures, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Procedures.]	
1663	Master set of other agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc detailing routine procedures supporting the OH&S function. Includes registers of legal responsibilities under OH&S.	Destroy 5 years after action completed
1664	Records documenting the development of agency procedures supporting the OH&S function.	Destroy 5 years after production of procedures
1665	Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

Entry No 1666	Description of Records Final copies of other reports, both formal and periodic, produced to support the OH&S function.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after action completed
	[For all accident reports sent to the lead agency (currently Comcare), use OH&S - Accidents.	
	For copies of accident report forms where a compensation claim is made, use COMPENSATION - Cases.	
	For copies of accident report forms where an employee is injured but no compensation claim is lodged, use PERSONNEL - Accidents.	
	For copies of accident reports where compensation is claimed by a member of the public following an accident, use COMPENSATION - Claims.]	
1667	Working papers documenting the development of all reports. Including drafts and comments received.	Destroy when reference ceases
1668	Copies of OH&S reports.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Representatives

The activities associated with the nomination, appointment or resignation of individuals or groups of personnel appointed by the organisation or their co-workers as official representatives to organisations, offices, unions, workers participation committees, councils or groups. Includes organisational legal representatives.

For the training of first aid officers, fire wardens and safety officers etc, use STAFF DEVELOPMENT - Training.

For arranging first aid, fire and safety officer allowances etc, use PERSONNEL - Allowances.

Entry No 1669	Description of Records Records documenting the selection of an OH&S representative for a designated work group or to act as a first aid officer. Includes documentation on selection, lists of representatives, and resignation documentation.	Disposal Action Destroy 1 year after term of office expires or resignation of officer
1670 	Records documenting the election of OH&S Committee representatives. Includes calling for nominations, managing the ballot and results.	Destroy 6 months after action completed
1671 	Records documenting the appointment of first aid officers, fire wardens and safety officers etc. Includes letter of appointment, and details of roles and responsibilities.	Destroy 1 year after appointment lapses

Research

The activities involved in investigating or enquiring into a subject or area of interest in order to discover facts, principles etc. Used to support the development of projects, standards, guidelines etc and the business activities of the organisation in general. Includes following up enquiries relating to organisational programs, projects, working papers, literature searches etc.

Entry No 1672	Description of Records Records documenting detailed research carried out to support the OH&S function eg research on the properties of a hazardous substance.	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after action completed
1673	Records documenting routine research carried out to support the OH&S function.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Reviewing

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

For the review of the agency's OH&S policy, use OH&S - Policy.

For the review of the agency's OH&S plan, use OH&S - Planning.

For the review of the agency's OH&S agreement, use OH&S - Agreements.

For the review of workplace hazards, use OH&S - Risk Management.

Entry No 1674	Description of Records Records documenting the review and monitoring of OH&S programs and operations. Includes documents establishing the review, final report and action plan.	Disposal Action Destroy 10 years after action completed
1675	Working papers documenting the conduct of an agency review and monitoring of OH&S programs and operations.	Destroy 3 years after action completed

The function of implementing and coordinating occupational health and safety and associated legislation throughout the organisation. Includes safety, occupational hygiene, ergonomic, occupational medicine and first aid measures together with policy, procedural and monitoring matters associated with the organisations' preventive and curative OH&S program. Includes the establishment of committees to investigate and advise on health and safety issues in the workplace.

Risk Management

The process involving the identification of risks, the likelihood and consequences of those risks, and the implementation of appropriate practice and procedures to treat the risks.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1676



Records documenting risk management of all OH&S hazards including hazardous substances detailed in Schedule 2 of the Occupational Health & Safety (Commonwealth Employment) (National Standards) Regulations where risk assessments indicate risk to the employees and where health surveillance and/or monitoring of the employees is necessary. Includes documentation covering each stage of the process and action plans.

Destroy 75 years after last action

1677



Records documenting risk management of OH&S hazards where risk assessments indicate no risk to the employees and where no health surveillance and/or monitoring is required. Includes documentation covering each stage of the process, treatment schedules and action plans.

Destroy 30 years after last action

1678



OH&S risk register containing environmental monitoring and health surveillance data.

Destroy 75 years after last entry

[For environmental monitoring, use OH&S - Compliance.

For health surveillance of employees, use OH&S - Cases.

For recording an employee's potential exposure to asbestos or employment at places identified as containing asbestos, use PERSONNEL - Employment Conditions.]

Standards

The process of implementing industry or organisational benchmarks for services and processes to enhance the quality and efficiency of the organisation.

For compliance with standards (except where other activities apply), use OH&S - Compliance.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

 Records documenting the implementation of industry and agency standards to support the OH&S function (eg Approved Code of Practice for First Aid in Commonwealth Workplaces, and Australian Standard 1885.1 -1990 Workplace Injury and Disease Recording Standard).

Destroy 7 years after standards are superseded

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Tendering

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 1680	Description of Records Records documenting the development and issue of tender documentation. Includes Statement of Requirements, Request for Proposals, Expression of Interest, Request for Tender (RFT) and draft contract.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1681	Evaluation of tenders received against selection criteria. Includes records documenting arrangements for carrying out the evaluation process, evaluation report, recommendations, final report and public notices.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1682	Records documenting post-offer negotiations and due diligence checks.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1683	Records of unsuccessful tenders or a tender process where there is no suitable bidder, or where the tender process has been discontinued. Includes submissions, notification of outcome and reports on debriefing sessions.	Destroy 2 years after tender process completed or decision made not to continue with the tender
1684	Tender register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry
1685 	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Western Australia.	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract
1686	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia.	Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract

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Tendering - Continued

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1687	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory.	Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
1688	Signed simple contracts and agreements resulting from tenders and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
1689	Contract register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry

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Note: Before using this authority agencies that employ staff under legislation other than the Public Service Act 1999 should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations from the Public Service Act in scope and conditions of employment. In cases where the variations differ greatly the Administrative Functions Disposal Authority is not applicable and should not be used. Coverage in such circumstances must be included under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Accidents

The activities involved in dealing with mishaps causing injury or damage. Includes damage or injury to the organisation's property or member of staff incurred while coming to, at, or leaving work, or to the general public or visitors whilst on the organisation's premises. Also includes measures to prevent accidents occurring.

Entry No De

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1690



Accident/incident reports where an employee is injured but no compensation claim is lodged.

Destroy 75 years after date of birth of employee or 7 years after last action, whichever is later

[For accidents where a compensation claim is made by an employee, use COMPENSATION - Cases.

For accident reports retained for OH&S purposes, use OH&S - Accidents.]

Agreements

The processes associated with the establishment, maintenance, review and negotiation of agreements.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1691

Records documenting negotiations, establishment and implementation of a Australian Workplace Agreement (AWA) with an individual employee. Includes an authorised version of the final agreement.

Destroy 75 years after date of birth of employee or 7 years after last action, whichever is later

[For Certified Agreements made under the Workplace Relations Act 1996, use INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS -Enterprise Bargaining.]

1692



Records documenting other employment agreements/contracts made with employees. Includes the agreement and records of negotiations.

Destroy 7 years after separation from the APS

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Allowances

The activities involved in arranging and managing money paid to employees in addition to salary to cover expenses incurred in the course of employment, e.g. travelling allowances.

Entry No Description of Records

1693

Records documenting the payment of allowances to employees. Includes, overtime, first aid, clothing, travelling allowances and higher duties.

[For the payment of allowances to employees, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Salaries.]

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after action completed

Appeals (decisions)

The activities involved in the process of appeals against decisions by application to a higher authority.

Entry No Description of Records

Disposal Action N/A

N/A

[For appeals made under the Public Service Act 1922 and the reviews of actions made under the Public Service Act 1999, against promotion or other action, use PERSONNEL - Reviews (decisions).]

Arrangements

The activities involved in arranging for a journey or trip. Includes preparing travel itineraries, authorisations, entitlements etc. Also includes arrangements made for the delivery of equipment or goods and the usage made of facilities, vehicles, equipment and space.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1694

Records documenting arrangements for an employee to undertake a journey or trip for work related reasons. Includes arrangements for obtaining official passports and visas.

Destroy 2 years after action completed

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Note: Before using this authority agencies that employ staff under legislation other than the Public Service Act 1999 should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations from the Public Service Act in scope and conditions of employment. In cases where the variations differ greatly the Administrative Functions Disposal Authority is not applicable and should not be used. Coverage in such circumstances must be included under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Authorisation

The process of delegating power to authorise an action and the seeking and granting permission to undertake a requested action.

Entry No Description of Records

1695

Delegations of power to agency staff to authorise administrative action relating to the personnel function.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after delegation expires

1696



Authorisations for administrative actions relating to the personnel function (eg authorisations to collect group certificates).

Destroy 7 years after action completed

Cases

This activity descriptor should be used where there is a need to keep a number of activities together on one file, for legislative or operational reasons. Case files relate to particular incidents, persons, organisations or clients.

Entry No Description of Records

N/A

[Use this activity descriptor when there is a need, or an agency practice, to keep records relating to a number of activities relating to each employee on one file. In such cases sentence the file with the longest retention period for any activity on the file.

For control records used to manage case files and personnel management systems (eg staff registers and registers of personnel files), use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Control.]

Disposal Action

N/A

The function of managing all employees in the organisation employed under the Public Service Act 1999 and previous legislation and volunteer workers. Includes review of actions, overtime, salaries, superannuation and working hours for individuals.

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Claims

The process of administering and managing payments demanded in accordance with an insurance policy as compensation for injury, death, or denial of rights of a person, or damage to or destruction of property. Includes disputes over rights and ownership, and recompense sought for stolen or lost property.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1697



Records documenting insurance claims. Includes copies of claims, reports and related correspondence.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

[For compensation claims covering personal injury lodged by APS personnel, use COMPENSATION - Cases.

For compensation claims covering personal injury lodged by volunteer workers, use COMPENSATION - Claims.]

The function of managing all employees in the organisation employed under the Public Service Act 1999 and previous legislation and volunteer workers. Includes review of actions, overtime, salaries, superannuation and working hours for individuals.

Note: Before using this authority agencies that employ staff under legislation other than the Public Service Act 1999 should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations from the Public Service Act in scope and conditions of employment. In cases where the variations differ greatly the Administrative Functions Disposal Authority is not applicable and should not be used. Coverage in such circumstances must be included under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1698

Records of internal and external committees formed to consider matters relating to the personnel function. Includes:

Destroy 3 years after action completed

- · documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

[For consultations with Workplace Relations Committee, use INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS - Committees.

For negotiations with staff and union representatives in establishing a Certified Agreement, use INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS - Enterprise Bargaining.]

1699



Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of committees held to consider matters relating to the personnel function. Includes:

Destroy when reference ceases

- agenda
- notices of meetings
- draft minutes.

The function of managing all employees in the organisation employed under the Public Service Act 1999 and previous legislation and volunteer workers. Includes review of actions, overtime, salaries, superannuation and working hours for individuals.

Note: Before using this authority agencies that employ staff under legislation other than the Public Service Act 1999 should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations from the Public Service Act in scope and conditions of employment. In cases where the variations differ greatly the Administrative Functions Disposal Authority is not applicable and should not be used. Coverage in such circumstances must be included under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Compliance

The activities associated with complying with mandatory or optional accountability, fiscal, legal, regulatory or quality standards or requirements to which the organisation is subject. Includes compliance with legislation and with national and international standards, such as the ISO 9000 series.

Other activities within this function may also be relevant to the Compliance activity.

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Description of Records

Disposal Action

1700

Records documenting agency compliance with mandatory or optional standards or with statutory requirements relating to the personnel function.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

Contracting-out

The activities involved in managing the performance of work or the provision of goods and services by an external contractor, vendor or consultant, or by using external bureau services. Includes outsourcing.

For information on records issues relating to outsourcing and contracting-out see General Disposal Authority 25.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1701

Records documenting contract management relating to the personnel function. Includes:

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract

- minutes of meetings with main stakeholders
- performance and evaluation reports.

The function of managing all employees in the organisation employed under the Public Service Act 1999 and previous legislation and volunteer workers. Includes review of actions, overtime, salaries, superannuation and working hours for individuals.

Note: Before using this authority agencies that employ staff under legislation other than the Public Service Act 1999 should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations from the Public Service Act in scope and conditions of employment. In cases where the variations differ greatly the Administrative Functions Disposal Authority is not applicable and should not be used. Coverage in such circumstances must be included under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Counselling

The activities associated with giving advice or guidance to an employee for various reasons.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1702

Records documenting general counselling of staff. Includes: Destroy 2 years

Destroy 2 years after action completed



- · personal counselling
- new entry counselling
- · career counselling
- work performance counselling
- counselling for minor breaches to the Code of Conduct

[For counselling relating to a disciplinary matter, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.

For post appointment counselling and counselling of unsuccessful candidates, use PERSONNEL - Recruitment.]

1703



Records documenting financial counselling of staff on separation. Includes superannuation and retirement counselling.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

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Note: Before using this authority agencies that employ staff under legislation other than the Public Service Act 1999 should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations from the Public Service Act in scope and conditions of employment. In cases where the variations differ greatly the Administrative Functions Disposal Authority is not applicable and should not be used. Coverage in such circumstances must be included under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Discipline

The activities and actions associated with the disciplinary process. Includes investigation, charges, formal inquiries, punishment and appeals.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1704



Records documenting investigations of misconduct (eg a breach of the Code of Conduct) by either by the agency or an external body, which result in disciplinary action being taken.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

[For the carrying out of sanctions and suspensions on an employee found to have breached the Code of Conduct or found guilty of misconduct, use the relevant activity under the PERSONNEL function eg PERSONNEL - Salaries and/or PERSONNEL - Separations.

For appeals against a decision on a misconduct charge, use PERSONNEL - Reviews (decisions).]

1705



Records documenting allegations into misconduct where no follow-up investigation is made (ie where allegations are proved to be frivolous or vexatious).

Destroy 18 months after action completed

1706



Records documenting investigations of misconduct which are investigated, either by the agency or an external authority, and where allegations are proved to be unfounded and the employee has requested the retention of the records.

Destroy 75 years after date of birth of employee or 7 years after last action whichever is later, or when requested by employee

1707



Records documenting investigations of misconduct which are investigated, either by the agency or an external authority, and where allegations are proved to be unfounded and the employee has not requested the retention of the records.

Destroy 18 months after investigation is completed

The function of managing all employees in the organisation employed under the Public Service Act 1999 and previous legislation and volunteer workers. Includes review of actions, overtime, salaries, superannuation and working hours for individuals.

Note: Before using this authority agencies that employ staff under legislation other than the Public Service Act 1999 should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations from the Public Service Act in scope and conditions of employment. In cases where the variations differ greatly the Administrative Functions Disposal Authority is not applicable and should not be used. Coverage in such circumstances must be included under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Employment Conditions

The activities associated with managing the general conditions of employment for personnel.

Entry No

1708

Description of Records

Records documenting the appointment of heads of executive agencies. Includes report from departmental Secretary on the vacancy, the Ministerial instrument of appointment and arrangements on remuneration and other employment conditions.

[For employment agreements/contracts (eg Australian Workplace Agreements), use PERSONNEL - Agreements.

For termination of appointment of heads of executive agencies, use PERSONNEL - Separations.

Disposal Action

Destroy 75 years after date of birth of employee or 7 years after last action, whichever is later

The function of managing all employees in the organisation employed under the Public Service Act 1999 and previous legislation and volunteer workers. Includes review of actions, overtime, salaries, superannuation and working hours for individuals.

Note: Before using this authority agencies that employ staff under legislation other than the Public Service Act 1999 should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations from the Public Service Act in scope and conditions of employment. In cases where the variations differ greatly the Administrative Functions Disposal Authority is not applicable and should not be used. Coverage in such circumstances must be included under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Employment Conditions - Continued

The activities associated with managing the general conditions of employment for personnel.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1709

Records documenting the consolidated employment history of all ongoing employees (formerly known as permanent officers) and SES employees from initial appointment and subsequent promotions and details of higher duties undertaken. Includes:

Destroy 75 years after date of birth of employee or 7 years after last action, whichever is later

- · letter of appointment and conditions of engagement
- letter of acceptance
- details of assigned duties (initial and subsequent variations)
- probation reports
- · medical examinations/ health declarations
- records detailing personal particulars and supporting documentation eq birth certificates
- evidence of educational qualifications
- declarations of pecuniary interest
- undertakings to preserve official secrets.

[For employment agreements/contracts (eg Australian Workplace Agreements), use PERSONNEL - Agreements.

For pre-employment security checks, use PERSONNEL - Security.

For salary and superannuation related records completed on appointment, use PERSONNEL - Salaries.

For reviews of recruitment decisions, use PERSONNEL - Reviews (decisions).

For moving personnel from one location to another to take up an appointment, use PERSONNEL - Moving.]

1710

Records documenting potential exposure to hazardous substances, including asbestos, or records detailing that an employee was located at places identified as containing hazardous substances.

Destroy in the year 2040 or 75 years after date of birth whichever is later

[For health surveillance of employees who have been exposed to hazardous substances, use OH&S - Cases.]

The function of managing all employees in the organisation employed under the Public Service Act 1999 and previous legislation and volunteer workers. Includes review of actions, overtime, salaries, superannuation and working hours for individuals.

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Employment Conditions - Continued

The activities associated with managing the general conditions of employment for personnel.

Disposal Action Entry No Description of Records 1711 Destroy 7 years Records documenting the appointment of non-ongoing after termination of employees (formerly known as temporary employees). appointment [For agreements/contracts undertaken with non-ongoing employees, use PERSONNEL - Agreements.] 1712 Records documenting the engagement of volunteers and Destroy 2 years students undertaking work experience placements. Includes after engagement personal details, agreed undertakings relating to conditions ceases of engagement and details of work performed. [For insuring volunteer/ work experience workers, use PERSONNEL - Insurance. For compensation claims lodged by volunteer/ work experience workers, use COMPENSATION - Claims.] 1713 Records supporting higher duty arrangements. Destroy 7 years after action completed

[For arranging the payment of high duties allowances, use PERSONNEL - Allowances.]

Records documenting redeployment of SES personnel.

Includes reassignment both at level and to a lower classification.

Destroy 75 years after date of birth of employee or 7 years after last action, whichever is later

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Employment Conditions - Continued

The activities associated with managing the general conditions of employment for personnel.

Entry No 1715

Description of Records

Records documenting the reduction in the classification of an APS employee either with or without the employees consent.

Disposal Action

Destroy 75 years after date of birth of employee or 7 years after last action, whichever is later

[For disciplinary action leading to a reduction in the classification of an employee, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.]

1716



Records documenting the management of personnel under employment schemes eg apprenticeships, scholarships, cadetships and traineeships.

Destroy 7 years after completion of training

 Records documenting the management of non-Commonwealth remuneration for performing duties as an APS employee.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

1718

Attendance records for employees where agency agreements or individual employee agreements or contracts allow for the payment of overtime. Includes:

Destroy 7 years after action completed

- attendance books
- clock on/off cards
- flexitime sheets
- overtime records.

1719



Attendance records for employees where agency agreements or individual employee agreements or contracts do not allow for the payment of overtime. Includes:

Destroy 2 years after action completed

- attendance books
- clock on/off cards
- · flexitime sheets.

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Employment Conditions - Continued

The activities associated with managing the general conditions of employment for personnel.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1720

Records documenting the management of rosters.

Destroy 1 year after action completed



Evaluation

The process of determining the suitability of potential or existing programs, items of equipment, systems or services in relation to meeting the needs of the given situation. Includes systems analysis and ongoing monitoring.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

 Records documenting the evaluation of existing and potential programs and services supporting the personnel function.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

[For the evaluation of strategic personnel programs, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Evaluation.

For the evaluation of the performance of individual employees against performance agreements, use PERSONNEL - Performance Management.]

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Grievances

The activities associated with the handling and resolution of grievances. Includes handling complaints over perceived discrimination, or those arising over work environment, work organisation or distribution, peers, supervisors or subordinates. Also includes complaints regarding the provision of access to opportunities such as training, equipment, promotion, or higher duties.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1722

Records documenting formal grievances lodged by an individual employee and considered either internally within the organisation and/or by an external body. Includes notes of meetings, reports and recommendations.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

[For records covering disciplinary action resulting from a grievance, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.

For records covering grievances lodged by a number of employees, use INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS - Grievances.

For appeals against decisions eg promotion, use PERSONNEL - Reviews (decisions).]

Infringements

The activities associated with handling breaches of rules. Includes driving or traffic infringements and infringements of the organisation's intellectual property.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1723

Records documenting infringements by an employee.

Destroy 18 months after action completed



[For infringements which lead to disciplinary action, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.

For the management of driving infringements, use FLEET MANAGEMENT - Infringements.]

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Insurance

The process of taking out premiums to cover loss or damage to property or premises, and to cover customers and staff against injury or death resulting from incidents on the organisation's premises or whilst engaged during employment.

For workers compensation insurance, use COMPENSATION - Insurance.

For managing financial transactions supporting insurance activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No 1724	Description of Records Insurance policies supporting the management of the personnel function eg for personal and household effects being moved overseas and insuring volunteer workers.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after action completed
1725	Records documenting the annual renewal of insurance policies.	Destroy 1 year after policy expires

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Leave

The process of administering leave for which staff are eligible. Includes unauthorised leave taken by staff.

Entry No Description of Records

1726

Consolidated leave history records.

Disposal Action

Destroy 75 years after date of birth of employee or 7 years after last action, whichever is later

1727

Records documenting long service leave, parental leave, military leave and leave without pay exceeding 5 days in any one calendar year (ie leave used to calculate entitlements for superannuation or long service leave).

Destroy 75 years after date of birth of employee or 7 years after last action, whichever is later

1728



Records documenting all other leave (with and without pay). Includes:

- sick leave (including war service sick leave)
- recreation leave
- special and personal leave
- study leave
- jury service and
- Defence training leave.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

Marketing

The process of analysing, creating and selling products and services. Includes market research, sales forecasting, advertising, media releases, promotion, pricing and product evaluation.

Entry No

Description of Records

1729

Records documenting recruitment campaigns run by an agency (eg graduate employment schemes).

Disposal Action

Destroy 3 years after action completed

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Meetings

The activities associated with ad-hoc gatherings held to formulate, discuss, update, or resolve issues and matters pertaining to the management of the section, department, or organisation as a whole. Includes arrangements, agenda, taking of minutes etc. Excludes committee meetings.

Entry No 1730	Description of Records Final version of minutes and supporting documents tabled at meetings held to support the personnel function.	Disposal Action Destroy 3 years after action completed
1731	Working papers documenting the condition and administration of meetings held to support the personnel function. Includes agenda, notices of meetings and draft minutes.	Destroy when reference ceases

Moving

The process of relocation of an agency, business unit, workgroup or individual. For relocation of workgroups, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Moving.

Entry No 1732	Description of Records Records documenting the removal of an employee and their family's personal effects. Includes arrangements made for the storage of personal and household effects at Commonwealth expense.	Disposal Action Destroy 3 years after action completed
4	[For any insurance claims made for loss or damage to property, use PERSONNEL - Insurance.	
	For managing financial transactions supporting the moving of an employee, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payment.]	

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Performance Management

The process of identifying, evaluating, and developing corporate and employee work performance so that the organisation's goals and objectives are achieved and also benefiting employees through recognition, performance feedback, catering for work needs and offering career guidance.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1733



Records documenting the management of agency performance management schemes.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

[For the development of agency performance management schemes, use PERSONNEL - Policy.

For training of staff in the conduct of agency performance management schemes, use STAFF DEVELOPMENT - Training.]

1734

Performance agreements with individual employees. Includes final version of agreement, notes from meetings with employees and assessment and review reports.

Destroy 2 years after agreement is superseded

[For Australian Workplace Agreements and other agreements/contracts covering the employment of individual employees, use PERSONNEL - Agreements.

For Certified Agreements made under the Workplace Relations Act 1996, use INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS -Enterprise Bargaining.]

1735



Records documenting the conferring of awards (honours) on individuals, staff members and teams in recognition of achievements.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

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Planning

The process of formulating ways in which objectives can be achieved. Includes determination of services, needs and solutions to those needs.

For broad level human resource planning, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Planning.

For individual development plans produced as part of a performance agreement, use PERSONNEL - Performance Management.

Entry No 1736	Description of Records Final versions of agency-wide personnel plans (eg workplace diversity plan or succession plan).	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after plan is superseded
1737	Final version of a section or business unit's personnel plans, including state, regional or overseas office.	Destroy 3 years after plan is superseded
1738	Working papers used to develop all personnel plans. Includes draft plans, reports analysing issues, and comments received from other areas of the agency.	Destroy 1 year after adoption of the final plan
1739	Copies of all personnel plans.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No 1740	Description of Records Records documenting the development and establishment of the agency's personnel policies. Includes:	Disposal Action Retain as national archives
	 policy proposals research papers results of consultations supporting reports major drafts final policy documents. 	
1741 	Records documenting comments made on the development of government-wide policies relating to the personnel function.	Destroy 2 years after promulgation of new policy
1742	Working papers documenting the development of all personnel policies.	Destroy 3 years after promulgation of the new policy
1743	Copies of policy documents and supporting papers.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1744	Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc	Destroy 5 years
	detailing procedures supporting the personnel function.	after procedures are superseded
1745	Records documenting the development of agency	Destroy 1 year after
	procedures supporting the Personnel function.	completion of
		procedures
1746	Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc.	Destroy when
		reference ceases
	[For distribution and implementation of procedures, use	
	PERSONNEL - Implementation.]	

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Recruitment

The process of recruiting which includes applying for approval to fill existing vacancies, the advertising of vacant positions in the Public Service Notices, and the handling of applications, interviews, selection, culling and appointment. Also includes recruiting volunteers.

For review of recruitment decision, use PERSONNEL - Reviews (decisions).

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1747

Records documenting the filling of vacancies in an agency. Includes both ongoing APS employees (formerly known as permanent officers) and SES officers, and non-ongoing APS employees (formerly known as temporary employees). Includes:

Destroy 1 year after recruitment has been finalised

- advertisements
- applications
- · referee reports
- · interview reports
- gazette notices
- notification to unsuccessful applicants.

[For letter of appointment to the successful applicant and supporting documentation, use PERSONNEL - Employment Conditions.

For post recruitment counselling, use PERSONNEL - Counselling.

1748



Records documenting the management of unsolicited applications.

Destroy 1 year after action completed

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Rehabilitation

The process of managing programs designed to restore the injured worker to the fullest physical, psychological, social, vocational and economic usefulness of which they are capable - consistent with pre-injury status. Includes early intervention with appropriate, adequate and timely services through the use of a Rehabilitation Coordinator.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1749

Records documenting the rehabilitation of workers to full employment which are not related to a compensation case. Includes return to work plans.

Retain for 7 years after completion of rehabilitation

[For rehabilitation records relating to compensation cases, use COMPENSATION - Cases.]



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Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1750	Final version of formal internal reports and reports made to external agencies relating to the personnel function (eg workplace diversity report).	Destroy 5 years after action completed
1751	Final version of periodic internal reports on general administrative matters used to monitor and document recurring activities to support the personnel function.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
1752	Records documenting surveys carried out support the personnel function.	Destroy 5 years after action completed
1753	Working papers documenting the development of all reports. Includes drafts and comments received.	Destroy 1 year after report is completed
1754	Copies of personnel reports.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Representatives

The activities associated with the nomination, appointment or resignation of individuals or groups of personnel appointed by the organisation or their co-workers as official representatives to organisations, offices, unions, workers participation committees, councils or groups. Includes organisational legal representatives.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1755



Records documenting the nomination, appointment, resignation from and/or termination of agency representatives on bodies considering matters relating to the personnel function.

[For appointments on community organisations, use

For appointments on government bodies, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Representatives.]

COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Representatives.

Destroy 3 years after end of the appointment

Reviewing

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

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Description of Records

Disposal Action

1756

Entry No

Records documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the personnel function. Includes documents establishing the review, final version of report and action plan.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

 Working papers documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the personnel function.

Destroy 2 years after action completed

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Reviews (decisions)

The activities involved in the process of reviewing actions both by an agency, or an external body. Includes reviews of promotion decisions.

For disciplinary action taken as a result of a misconduct charge, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.

Entry No 1758	Description of Records Records documenting reviews of promotion decisions.	Disposal Action Destroy 1 year after recruitment has been finalised
1759	Records documenting reviews of actions, other than reviews of promotion decisions, either carried out within the agency or by an external authority.	Destroy 5 years after action completed
1760	Records documenting applications for reviews of action that were not proceeded with (eg if the application for review is considered frivolous or vexatious).	Destroy 18 months after action completed

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Salaries

The process of managing the payment of salaries to personnel.

Entry No

Description of Records

Description of Records

1761

Records documenting the payment of employees' salaries. Includes:

- · taxation declaration records
- · group certificates
- payroll deduction authorities
- records relating to the recovery of overpayments
- deductions to satisfy a judgement debt
- · employee pay history records.

[For the payment of salaries, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Salaries.]

1762

Records documenting superannuation deductions.



Destroy 7 years after termination of employment in the APS

Disposal Action

after date of birth of

employee or 7 years

Destroy 75 years

after last action,

whichever is later

1763

Records documenting the management of special salary packaging arrangements. Includes Fringe Benefit Tax (FBT) arrangements.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

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Security

The activities associated with measures taken to protect people, premises, equipment or information from accidental or intentional damage or from unauthorised access. Includes the security classification of personnel and criminal record checks.

For the issue of keys to employees, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Security or EQUIPMENT & STORES - Security.

For security breaches by an employee involving the inappropriate handling of records and/or the disclosure of information, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Security.

For security breaches by an employee involving premises, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Security.

For security breaches by an employee involving equipment and stores, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Security.

For security breaches by an employee involving the use of technology, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Security.

For any disciplinary action taken against an employee for a breach of security, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.

Entry No 1764	Description of Records Register of security clearances and passes held by agency staff.	Disposal Action Destroy 10 years after last entry
1765	Records documenting the issue of security passes to employees.	Destroy 5 years after pass expires
1766	Records documenting security checks (vetting) carried out as part of pre-engagement and pre-employment checks, or periodic reviews.	Destroy 5 years after separation from the APS or 6 years after the date of the last clearance check on file, whichever is sooner

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Separations

The activities associated with managing any method of leaving an organisation. Includes resignation, retirement, dismissal, death, redundancy, retrenchment and dispensations of services of temporary personnel. Excludes transfers.

Entry No

Description of Records

1767 Records documenting

Records documenting the separation of ongoing (formerly known as permanent officers) and SES employees. Includes:

- retirements (including retirement with incentive)
- resignations
- voluntary redundancies
- dismissal
- death
- · retrenchment.

[For the temporary or permanent transfer of officers, use PERSONNEL - Employment Conditions.]

1768



Records documenting the termination of a non-ongoing employee before the completion of a specified term of employment.

Destroy 7 years after termination

Disposal Action

after date of birth of

employee or 7 years after last action,

Destroy 75 years

whichever is later

Social Clubs

The activities involved in the organisation's relationship with social clubs.

Entry No

Description of Records

1769

Records documenting staff social clubs including support and/or sponsorship given by the agency.

Disposal Action

Destroy 2 years after action completed

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Suggestions

The process of using suggestions from personnel and the public to improve the services and processes of the organisation.

Entry No Description of Records

 Records documenting management of staff suggestion schemes promoted by an agency.

Disposal Action

Destroy 5 years after action completed

1771

Records of suggestions made by staff.

Destroy 2 years after action completed



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Tendering

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1772 	Records documenting the development and issue of tender documentation. Includes Statement of Requirements, Request for Proposals, Expression of Interest, Request for Tender (RFT) and draft contract.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1773	Evaluation of tenders received against selection criteria. Includes records documenting arrangements for carrying out the evaluation process, evaluation report, recommendations, final report and public notices.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1774 	Records documenting post-offer negotiations and due diligence checks.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1775	Records of unsuccessful tenders or a tender process where there is no suitable bidder, or where the tender process has been discontinued. Includes submissions, notification of outcome and reports on debriefing sessions.	Destroy 2 years after tender process completed or decision made not to continue with the tender
1776 	Tender register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry
1777 	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Western Australia.	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract

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Tendering - Continued

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1778	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia.	Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract
1779	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory.	Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
1780	Signed simple contracts and agreements resulting from tenders and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
1781	Contract register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry

The function of managing land and working, storage, or living space within premises, and of acquiring, constructing, fitting-out, managing, maintaining, protecting and disposing of premises. Includes buildings and land allotments either owned, rented, or leased by the organisation. Also includes the removal of pollutants and waste. This function also covers properties owned by the Commonwealth or Commonwealth institutions which have national significance including natural, historic and indigenous significance and are listed in the Register of the National Estate, by the World Heritage Commission, classified by the National Trusts or on State heritage listings.

Note: This function should not be used by agencies for the records covering the management of specialised buildings ie buildings that have been designed for a specific purpose or have unique design features eg Lucas Heights Nuclear Reactor Building or Mt Stromlo Observatory. In these cases specific coverage should be included in such agency's own functional disposal authority.

Acquisition - Continued

The process of gaining ownership or use of property and other items or the provision of services required in the conduct of business through purchase or requisitions.

For submissions to Cabinet relating to the acquisition of property, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

For legal advice and any litigation resulting from compulsory acquisition of property, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice and LEGAL SERVICES - Litigation.

For the acquisition of property through a tendering process, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT -Tendering.

For the acquisition of property through an agreement, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT -Agreements.

For asset registers used to record property details, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Asset Register.

For managing financial transactions supporting acquisition activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Description of Records Entry No

1782

Records documenting the acquisition of properties of national significance (see functional scope note) including compulsory acquisitions. Includes:

- **Disposal Action** Retain as national archives
- investigations into and reports on the property
- environmental impact assessments
- budgetary estimates
- cost benefit analyses.

1783



Records documenting the acquisition of properties without national significance (see functional scope note) including compulsory acquisitions. Includes:

- Destroy 7 years after disposal of property
- investigations into and reports on the property
- · environmental impact assessments
- budgetary estimates
- · cost benefit analyses.

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Note: This function should not be used by agencies for the records covering the management of specialised buildings ie buildings that have been designed for a specific purpose or have unique design features eg Lucas Heights Nuclear Reactor Building or Mt Stromlo Observatory. In these cases specific coverage should be included in such agency's own functional disposal authority.

Acquisition - Continued

Entry No

The process of gaining ownership or use of property and other items or the provision of services required in the conduct of business through purchase or requisitions.

For submissions to Cabinet relating to the acquisition of property, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

For legal advice and any litigation resulting from compulsory acquisition of property, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice and LEGAL SERVICES - Litigation.

For the acquisition of property through a tendering process, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT -Tendering.

For the acquisition of property through an agreement, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT -Agreements.

For asset registers used to record property details, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Asset Register.

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Description of Records

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1784	Deeds and certificates of title for property owned by the	Transfer to new
	agency.	owner when
		property is disposed
		of. (See instruction
		on the transfer of

custody and ownership of Commonwealth records in Introduction)

Disposal Action

1785 Records documenting the negotiations for other properties Destroy 7 years where the acquisition was not proceeded with. after purchase is suspended

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Acquisition - Continued

The process of gaining ownership or use of property and other items or the provision of services required in the conduct of business through purchase or requisitions.

For submissions to Cabinet relating to the acquisition of property, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

For legal advice and any litigation resulting from compulsory acquisition of property, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice and LEGAL SERVICES - Litigation.

For the acquisition of property through a tendering process, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT -Tendering.

For the acquisition of property through an agreement, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT -Agreements.

For asset registers used to record property details, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Asset Register.

For managing financial transactions supporting acquisition activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Description of Records Entry No

1786

Records documenting the acquisition of goods and services required for the support of the property management function where there is no tender or contracting-out process (ie where the cost of the acquisition is below the threshold for tendering or where a purchase is made against a period contract).

[For the acquisition of property management goods and services through a tender process, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Tendering.1

1787 Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records for the acquisition of property in Western Australia when there is no tendering process.

Destroy 20 years after disposal of the property

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years

after action

completed

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Acquisition - Continued

The process of gaining ownership or use of property and other items or the provision of services required in the conduct of business through purchase or requisitions.

For submissions to Cabinet relating to the acquisition of property, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

For legal advice and any litigation resulting from compulsory acquisition of property, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice and LEGAL SERVICES - Litigation.

For the acquisition of property through a tendering process, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Tendering.

For the acquisition of property through an agreement, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Agreements.

For asset registers used to record property details, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Asset Register.

For managing financial transactions supporting acquisition activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1788	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records for the acquisition of property in Victoria	Destroy 15 years after disposal of
	and South Australia when there is no tendering process.	property
1789	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records for the acquisition of property in New South Wale, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory when there is no tendering process.	Destroy 12 years after disposal of property

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Advice

The activities associated with offering opinions by or to the organisation as to an action or judgement. Includes the process of advising.

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Description of Records

Disposal Action

1790

Records documenting the receipt and provision of advice on property management.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

[For legal advice on property management matters, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice.]

Agreements

The processes associated with the establishment, maintenance, review and negotiation of agreements.

For leasing of property, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Leasing.

For leasing-out of property, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Leasing-out.

Entry No 1791	Description of Records Final versions of agreements made to support the property management function (eg Memoranda of Understanding and tenancy agreements).	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after expiry or other termination of agreement
1792	Records documenting negotiations, establishment, maintenance and review of agreements.	Destroy 7 years after expiry or other termination of agreement
1793	Records documenting agreements made with property owners relating to easement and right-of-way arrangements.	Destroy 7 years after expiry of agreement

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Appeals (decisions)

The activities involved in the process of appeals against decisions by application to a higher authority.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1794



Records documenting appeals made against the level of compensation for compulsory acquisition of property.

Destroy 10 years after last action

[For the compulsory acquisition of property, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Acquisition.

For claims made against the compulsory acquisition of property, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Claims.

For legal advice and any litigation resulting from compulsory acquisition of property, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice and Litigation.]

Arrangements

The activities involved in arranging for a journey or trip. Includes preparing travel itineraries, authorisations, entitlements etc. Also includes arrangements made for the delivery of equipment or goods and the usage made of facilities, vehicles, equipment and space.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1795

Records documenting routine arrangements for the use of properties. Includes parking arrangements and facility bookings.

Destroy 1 year after action completed

[For managing financial transactions associated with the use of properties, use FINANACIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

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For leasing-out arrangements, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT- Leasing-out.]

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Audit

The activities associated with officially checking financial, quality assurance and operational records to ensure they have been kept and maintained in accordance with agreed or legislated standards and correctly record the events, processes and business of the organisation in a specified period. Includes compliance audits, financial audits, operational audits, recordkeeping audits, skills audits, system audits and quality assurance audits.

For routine inspections of hazardous substances in the workplace, use OH&S - Inspections.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1796

Final internal and external audit report relating to the property management function. Includes the final reports from audits conducted by the Australian National Audit Office and environmental audits.

Destroy 5 years after action completed



Records documenting the planning and conduct of internal and external audits relating to the property management function. Includes:

Destroy 5 years after action completed

- liaison with the auditing body
- minutes of meetings
- notes taken at opening and exit interviews
- draft report
- · comments.

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Authorisation

The process of delegating power to authorise an action and the seeking and granting permission to undertake a requested action.

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1798

Delegations of power to agency staff to authorise administrative action relating to property management.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after delegation expires

1799



Authorisations for administrative actions relating to property management.

Destroy 7 years after authorisation expires

Cases

This activity descriptor should be used where there is a need to keep a number of activities together on one file, for legislative or operational reasons. Case files relate to particular incidents, persons, organisations or clients.

Entry No Description of Records

N/A [Use this activity desc

[Use this activity descriptor when there is a need, or an agency practice, to keep records relating to a number of activities together on one file eg a property file. In such cases sentence the file with the longest retention period for any activity on the file.]

Disposal Action

N/A

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Claims

The process of administering and managing payments demanded in accordance with an insurance policy as compensation for injury, death, or denial of rights of a person, or damage to or destruction of property. Includes disputes over rights and ownership, and recompense sought for stolen or lost property.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1800

Records documenting claims made against compulsory acquisition of property.

Destroy 10 years after finalisation or withdrawal of claim



[For the compulsory acquisition of property, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Acquisition.

For appeals made against compensation received for compulsory acquisition of property, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Appeals.

For legal advice and any litigation resulting from compulsory acquisition of property, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice and Litigation.]

1801

Records documenting insurance claims for damage to and/or loss of property.

Destroy 7 years after finalisation or withdrawal of claim

[For insurance policies and annual renewals, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Insurance.]

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Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1802

Records of committees formed to consider the management of properties of national significance (see functional scope note). Includes:

Retain as national archives

- · documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

Includes both internal and external committees.

1803



Records of committees formed to consider the management of properties without national significance (see functional scope note) and general matters relating to the property management function. Includes:

Destroy 7 years after action completed

- documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

Includes both internal and external committees.

The function of managing land and working, storage, or living space within premises, and of acquiring, constructing, fitting-out, managing, maintaining, protecting and disposing of premises. Includes buildings and land allotments either owned, rented, or leased by the organisation. Also includes the removal of pollutants and waste. This function also covers properties owned by the Commonwealth or Commonwealth institutions which have national significance including natural, historic and indigenous significance and are listed in the Register of the National Estate, by the World Heritage Commission, classified by the National Trusts or on State heritage listings.

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Committees - Continued

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1804

Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of all committees formed to consider matters relating to the property management function. Includes:

Destroy when reference ceases

- agenda
- notices of minutes
- · draft minutes.

Compliance

The activities associated with complying with mandatory or optional accountability, fiscal, legal, regulatory or quality standards or requirements to which the organisation is subject. Includes compliance with legislation and with national and international standards, such as the ISO 9000 series.

Other activities within this function may also be relevant to the Compliance activity.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1805

Records documenting compliance with mandatory or optional standards or with statutory requirements relating to the property management function.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

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Conservation

The activities involved in the preservation, protection, maintenance, restoration and enhancement of properties, including buildings and land, and information resources and artefacts.

For maintenance activities, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Maintenance.

For environmental audits, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Audits.

Entry No Description of Records

1806

Records documenting the activities involved in the preservation, protection, maintenance, restoration and enhancement of properties of national significance (see functional scope note).

Disposal Action

Retain as national archives



Records documenting the activities involved in the restoration and enhancement of properties without national significance (see functional scope note).

Destroy when property is disposed of or transfer to new owners. (See instruction on the transfer of custody and ownership of Commonwealth records in Introduction)

1808

Records documenting the restoration of contaminated land.

Retain as national archives



[For inspection to identify the type of contamination, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Inspection.]

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Construction

The process of making or building something.

For tendering of work to support construction activities, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Tendering.

For managing the performance of contracted-out services to support the construction process, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Contracting-out.

For the planning of construction programs, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Planning.

For submissions to Cabinet and the Parliamentary Works Committee seeking support for construction projects, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

Entry No

1809

Description of Records

Disposal Action

Records documenting construction activities carried out on properties of national significance (see functional scope note). Includes:

Retain as national archives

- records of consultations (eg with owners and local authorities)
- specifications
- building plans
- project management records.

1810



Records documenting the construction activities for properties without national significance (see functional scope note). Includes:

- records of consultations (eg with owners and local authorities)
- specifications
- · building plans
- project management records.

Destroy when property is disposed of or transfer to new owners. (See instruction on the transfer of custody and ownership of Commonwealth records in Introduction)

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Construction - Continued

The process of making or building something.

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Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1811	Records documenting construction activities not proceeded with.	Destroy 7 years after decision to suspend construction activities
1812	Working papers documenting the construction activities on properties without national significance (see functional	Destroy when reference ceases

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Contracting-out

The activities involved in managing the performance of work or the provision of goods and services by an external contractor, vendor or consultant, or by using external bureau services. Includes outsourcing.

For information on records issues relating to outsourcing and contracting-out see General Disposal Authority 25.

Entry No

Description of Records

1813



Records documenting contract management relating to the property management function. Includes:

- · minutes of meetings with main stakeholders
- performance and evaluation reports.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract



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Disposal

The process of disposing of property no longer required by the organisation, by sale, transfer, termination of lease, auction, donation or destruction. Includes destruction or transfer to archives, and the program of activities to facilitate the orderly transfer of semi-active and inactive records from current office space into storage.

For the disposal of property through a tendering process, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Tendering.

For the disposal of property through an agreement, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Agreements.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1814



Records documenting the disposal of properties of national significance (see functional scope note). Includes:

Retain as national archives

- assessments and investigations
- valuation certificates
- details of preparation undertaken before disposal ('making good').

1815



Records documenting the disposal of properties without national significance (see functional scope note) by sale, transfer, termination of lease, auction or destruction. Includes:

Destroy 7 years after last action

- · assessments and investigations
- valuation certificates
- details of preparation undertaken before disposal ('making good').

1816



Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and related records for the disposal of Commonwealth property in Western Australia when there is no tendering process.

Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract

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Disposal - Continued

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For the disposal of property through a tendering process, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Tendering.

For the disposal of property through an agreement, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Agreements.

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1817	

Description of Records

Disposal Action



Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and related records for the disposal of Commonwealth property in Victoria and South Australia when there is no tendering process.

Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract





Signed contracts under seal and related records documenting records for the disposal of Commonwealth property in New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory when there is no tendering process.

Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract

Evaluation

The process of determining the suitability of potential or existing programs, items of equipment, systems or services in relation to meeting the needs of the given situation. Includes systems analysis and ongoing monitoring.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1819

Records documenting the evaluation of matters relating to the property management function. Destroy 5 years after action completed

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Fit-outs

The process of establishing or refurbishing a workplace. Includes painting, floor coverings, furnishings, furniture, partitions/walls fittings and equipment.

Entry No Description of Records

Disposal Action

1820

Records documenting the fit-outs of properties of national significance (see functional scope note). Includes justification, notification of intent and assessment of obligations regarding heritage properties.

Retain as national archives

1821

Records documenting fit-outs of properties without national significance (see functional scope note). Includes economic justification and any required notification of intent.

Destroy 1 year after next fit-out

[For construction activities, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Construction.]

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PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

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Implementation

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The activities associated with carrying out or putting into action, plans, policies, procedures or instructions, all of which could be internally or externally driven. Includes manual or automated databases, applications or systems, but excludes the installation of equipment. Also includes monitoring to ensure that the implementation goes according to schedule and that standards are met and first aid treatment.

Entry No 1822	Description of Records Records documenting the implementation of counter-disaster plans after disasters such as fire and floods to property of national significance (see functional scope note). Includes a copy of the plan implemented in the disaster recovery process.	Disposal Action Retain as national archives
1823	Records documenting the implementation of counter- disaster plans after disasters such as fires and floods for properties without national significance (see functional scope note) both leased and owned. Includes a copy of the plan implemented in the disaster recovery process.	Destroy 7 years after disposal of building
1824	Records documenting the implementation of plans (other than counter disaster plans), policies and procedures relating to property management.	Destroy 5 years after action completed
1825	Records documenting arrangements relating to the flying of	Destroy when

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Inspections

The process of official examinations of facilities, equipment and items, to ensure compliance with agreed standards and objectives.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1826

Records documenting routine inspections of land, buildings or premises. Includes:

Destroy 5 years after action completed

- requests for inspections
- administrative arrangements and inspection reports.

[For inspections carried out for the construction of a building, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT- Construction.]

1827



Records documenting inspections undertaken to determine whether asbestos and other hazardous substances are present in a building or land.

Destroy 75 years after last action or transfer copies to new owner if sold before this date. (See instruction on the transfer of custody and ownership of Commonwealth records in Introduction)

[For the removal of hazardous substances, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Maintenance.

For OH&S related routine inspections and regular inspections of asbestos material, use OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY (OH&S) - Inspections.

For audit related inspections, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Audit.

For decontamination of land, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT- Conservation.]

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Installation

Activities involved in placing equipment in position and connecting and adjusting it for use. For the installation of furniture and fittings, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Fit-outs.

Entry No

Description of Records

1828

Records documenting installation of equipment (eg heating, plumbing, air-conditioning, security equipment and cabling) in properties. Includes arranging installations and location details eg fire panel, alarm panels.

Disposal Action

Destroy after replacement of equipment or transfer to new owner or leasee of property. (See instruction on the transfer of custody and ownership of Commonwealth records in Introduction)

[For the installation of cabling from the point of entry of service to outlets for technology and telecommunications equipment and facilities, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Installation.]

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Insurance

The process of taking out premiums to cover loss or damage to property or premises, and to cover customers and staff against injury or death resulting from incidents on the organisation's premises or whilst engaged during employment.

For records relating to insurance claims, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Claims.

For managing financial transactions supporting insurance activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1829	Property insurance policies.	Destroy 7 years after policy expires
1830	Records documenting the annual renewal of property insurance policies.	Destroy 1 year after action completed

Inventory

The activities associated with listing and preparing lists of items and assets in the possession of the organisation.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1831	Inventories relating to the property management function.	Destroy when
		reference ceases

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Leasing

The activities involved in leasing items, equipment, accommodation, premises or real estate from another organisation. Includes the process of chartering.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1832



Records documenting the leasing of property (ie where the agency is the lessee). Includes:

Destroy 7 years after lease expires or is terminated

- space and accommodation assessments
- negotiations
- cost-benefit analysis
- assessments
- signed leases.

1833

Records documenting the on-going management of leases.

Destroy 7 years after lease expires or is terminated



[For legal advice received on the leasing of property, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice.

For repairs and maintenance to leased properties, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Maintenance.

For managing financial transactions associated with leasing activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT- Accounting and FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.]

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Leasing-out

The activities involved in leasing-out items, equipment, accommodation, premises or real estate to another organisation or person for a specified period and agreed price. Includes the formal documentation setting out conditions, rights, responsibilities etc. of both parties. Also includes subleasing.

Entry No
1834

Description of Records

Records documenting leasing-out arrangements (ie where the agency is the lessor), including leasing residential accommodation to individual employees. Includes negotiations and signed leases.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after lease expires or is terminated



Working papers documenting the on-going management of leases where the agency is the lessor.

Destroy 7 years after lease expires or is terminated

[For legal advice received on the leasing-out of property, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice.

For repairs and maintenance to leased properties, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Maintenance.]

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Maintenance

The activities associated with the upkeep, repair, servicing, modification and preservation of internal/external conditions of premises, equipment, vehicles etc.

For tendering cleaning services and other contracted-out services for the maintenance of property, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Tendering.

For the management of contracting-out maintenance services, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Contracting-out.

For planning maintenance programs, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Planning.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1836

Records documenting repairs made to properties of national significance (see functional scope note) after a disaster eg fire, floods etc. Retain as national archives

[For the implementation of a counter-disaster plan, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Implementation.

For construction work carried out after a disaster, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Construction.

For fit-outs carried out after a disaster, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Fit-outs.]

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Maintenance - Continued

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For planning maintenance programs, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Planning.

Entry No

Description of Records

1837

Records documenting repairs made to properties without national significance (see functional scope note) after a disaster eg fire, floods etc.

Disposal Action

Destroy when property is disposed of or transfer to new owners. (See instruction on the transfer of custody and ownership of Commonwealth records in Introduction)

[For the implementation of a counter disaster plan, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Implementation.

For construction work carried out after a disaster, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Construction.

For fit-outs carried out after a disaster, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Fit-outs.]

1838



Records documenting major maintenance work carried out during the lifetime of a building (eg sometimes referred to as the maintenance history of a building). Retain for the life of the property and transfer to new owner of the property

Disposal Action

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Maintenance - Continued

Entry No

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For planning maintenance programs, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Planning.

Description of Records

1839	Records documenting the removal, and disposal of hazardous materials (including asbestos) from the fabric of the building.	Destroy 75 years after removal of hazardous materials
	[For inspections carried out to identify the presence of hazardous materials in a building, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Inspections.	
	For the ongoing inspections of the state of asbestos in buildings, use OH&S - Inspections.	
	For plant testing and maintenance to meet OH&S compliance requirements, use OH&S - Compliance.]	
1840	Records documenting removal, storage and disposal of hazardous waste (eg chemicals from laboratories and pesticides).	Destroy 30 years after last action
	[For the storage of hazardous materials, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Arrangements.]	
1841	Records documenting the removal of non-toxic waste, including classified waste.	Destroy 2 years after action completed

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Maintenance - Continued

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Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1842	Records documenting the maintenance of cooling water systems. Includes operating and maintenance manuals, test results and service log sheets for cooling towers.	Destroy 7 years after action completed
	[For the inspection of water cooling systems, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Inspections.]	
1843	Records documenting routine upkeep, repair and maintenance activities (eg cleaning, painting, pest control, grounds maintenance and electrical maintenance).	Destroy 2 years after action completed
	[For material safety data sheets, use OH&S - Health Promotion.]	
1844	Records documenting the monitoring of building management systems or energy management systems.	Destroy 3 years after last action

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Meetings

The activities associated with ad-hoc gatherings held to formulate, discuss, update, or resolve issues and matters pertaining to the management of the section, department, or organisation as a whole. Includes arrangements, agenda, taking of minutes etc. Excludes committee meetings.

Entry No	Description	of Records
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1845

Final version of minutes and supporting documents tabled at meetings held to support the property management function. Includes meetings with external agencies.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after action completed

1846



Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of meetings held to support the property management function. Includes agenda, notices of meetings and draft minutes.

Destroy when reference ceases

Moving

The process of relocation of an agency, business unit, workgroup or individual.

Entry No

Description of Records

1847

Records documenting the relocation of an agency's business operations. Includes inventories, costings and records detailing arrangements with removalists.

[For tendering to select a removalist, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Tendering.

For the management of contracting-out arrangements, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Contracting-out.

For the relocation of individual employees, use PERSONNEL - Moving.]

Disposal Action

Destroy 2 years after last action

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Planning

The process of formulating ways in which objectives can be achieved. Includes determination of services, needs and solutions to those needs.

For diagrams and drawings used to support the property management function, use the appropriate activity.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1848	Final version of plans to support the management of properties of national significance (see functional scope	Retain as national archives
	note).	

1849

Final version of agency-wide property management plans. Includes:

Destroy 6 years after plan is superseded

- counter disaster plan
- annual maintenance plans
- · acquisition and disposal plans
- space usage plans.

[For implementation of counter disaster plans, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Implementation.]

Final version of a section or business unit's property management plans, including state, regional or overseas offices.

Destroy 3 years after plan is superseded

Working papers used in developing all property
management plans. Includes draft plans, reports analysing issues, and comments received from other areas of the agency.

Copies of all property management plans.

Destroy 1 year after adoption of the final plan

Destroy when reference ceases

reference ceases

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Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No 1853	Description of Records Records documenting the development and establishment of the agency's property management policies (eg energy policy). Includes: • policy proposals • research papers • results of consultations • supporting reports • major drafts • final policy documents.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after policy is superseded
1854	Records documenting comments made on the development of government-wide property management policies.	Destroy 2 years after promulgation of new policy
1855	Working papers documenting the development of all property management policies.	Destroy 2 years after promulgation of new policy
1856	Copies of policy documents and supporting papers.	Destroy when

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Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1857 	Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc detailing procedures supporting the property management function. Includes emergency procedures.	Destroy 5 years after procedures are superseded
1858 	Records documenting the development of agency procedures supporting the property management function.	Destroy 2 years after procedures are superseded
1859	Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

Entry No 1860	Description of Records Final versions of formal internal reports and reports made to external agencies on properties of national significance (see functional scope note).	Disposal Action Retain as national archives
1861 	Final versions of formal internal reports and reports made to external agencies relating to properties without national significance (see functional scope note). Includes reports based on the Commonwealth Property Principles.	Destroy 10 years after action completed
1862	Final versions of periodic internal reports on general administrative matters used to monitor and document recurring activities to support the property management function.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
1863	Records documenting property surveys requested by the central office of an agency eg fire and security surveys.	Destroy 2 years after action completed
1864	Working papers documenting the development of reports. Includes drafts and comments received.	Destroy 2 years after action completed
1865	Copies of property management reports.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Reviewing

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1866	Records documenting the review of programs and operations impacting on the management of properties of national significance (see functional scope note). Includes documents establishing the review, final report and action plan.	Retain as national archives

Records documenting a review of programs and operations impacting on the management of properties without national significance (see functional scope note). Includes documents establishing the review, final report and action plan. Includes reviews based on the Commonwealth Property Principles.

Destroy 5 years after last action

Working papers documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the property management after last action function.

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Risk Management

The process involving the identification of risks, the likelihood and consequences of those risks, and the implementation of appropriate practice and procedures to treat the risks.

Entry No Description of Records

Records documenting risk management including each stage of the process, risk assessments, treatment schedules and action plans. Includes risk assessment

reports for water cooling systems.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after next risk assessment

1870

Property management risk register.

Destroy 7 years after next risk assessment

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Security

The activities associated with measures taken to protect people, premises, equipment or information from accidental or intentional damage or from unauthorised access. Includes the security classification of personnel and criminal record checks.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1871

Records documenting major security breaches or incidents (eg which result in the laying of charges, or where sabotage is strongly suspected). Includes:

Retain as national archives

- break-ins
- unauthorised access or entry/trespass
- intrusions into restricted areas
- terrorism
- intentional damage
- bomb threats
- fires
- records of investigations
- liaison with law-enforcement agencies.

[For disciplinary action resulting from a breach involving APS employees, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.

For breaches involving information, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Security.

For breaches involving equipment, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Security.

For breaches involving technology, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Security.]

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Security - Continued

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Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1872

Records documenting minor security breaches or incidents (eg which do not result in the laying of charges, or where sabotage is not suspected).

Destroy 5 years after incident

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For breaches involving information, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Security.

For breaches involving equipment, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Security.

For breaches involving technology, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Security.]

1873

Records documenting property guarding, surveillance and patrol operations. Includes rosters and security reports.

Destroy 2 years after last action

[For tendering for the provision of security services, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Tendering.

For managing the performance of contracted-out security activities, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Contracting-out.]

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Security - Continued

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Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

 Records documenting property access controls to secure areas. Includes:

Destroy 3 years after action completed

- access registers (eg visitor books)
- · keys register
- security data logs
- issue of security passes to visitors
- reports on responses to alarm warnings.

[For the monitoring of building management systems (including security systems), use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Maintenance.

For the issue of passes and identity cards to staff, use PERSONNEL - Security.]

1875

Records of combinations for building locks.



Destroy when combination changes

1876

Surveillance camera tapes.

Destroy when no longer required



The function of managing land and working, storage, or living space within premises, and of acquiring, constructing, fitting-out, managing, maintaining, protecting and disposing of premises. Includes buildings and land allotments either owned, rented, or leased by the organisation. Also includes the removal of pollutants and waste. This function also covers properties owned by the Commonwealth or Commonwealth institutions which have national significance including natural, historic and indigenous significance and are listed in the Register of the National Estate, by the World Heritage Commission, classified by the National Trusts or on State heritage listings.

Note: This function should not be used by agencies for the records covering the management of specialised buildings ie buildings that have been designed for a specific purpose or have unique design features eg Lucas Heights Nuclear Reactor Building or Mt Stromlo Observatory. In these cases specific coverage should be included in such agency's own functional disposal authority.

Tendering

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 1877	Description of Records Records documenting the development and issue of tender documentation. Includes Statement of Requirements, Request for Proposals, Expression of Interest, Request for Tender (RFT) and draft contract.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1878	Evaluation of tenders received against selection criteria. Includes records documenting arrangements for carrying out the evaluation process, evaluation report, recommendations, final report and public notices.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1879	Records documenting post-offer negotiations and due diligence checks.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1880	Records of unsuccessful tenders or a tender process where there is no suitable bidder, or where the tender process has been discontinued. Includes submissions, notification of outcome and reports on debriefing sessions.	Destroy 2 years after tender process completed or decision made not to continue with the tender
1881	Tender register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry
1882	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Western Australia.	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract

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Tendering - Continued

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 1883	Description of Records Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia.	Disposal Action Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract
1884 	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory.	Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
1885	Signed simple contracts and agreements resulting from tenders and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
1886	Contract register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry

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Advice

The activities associated with offering opinions by or to the organisation as to an action or judgement. Includes the process of advising.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1887

Records documenting the receipt and provision of advice provided on the publication function.

Destroy 3 years after action completed

Agreements

The processes associated with the establishment, maintenance, review and negotiation of agreements.

For contracts and agreements entered into for publishing joint ventures, use PUBLICATION -Joint Venture.

For contracts concluded through carrying out a tendering process, use PUBLICATION -Tendering.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1888

Final version of agreements made to support the agency's publication function.

Destroy 7 years after expiry or completion or termination of agreement

1889

Records documenting negotiations, establishment, maintenance and review of agreements.

Destroy 7 years after expiry or completion or termination of agreement

1890

Records documenting agreements made when an agency vests Crown copyright in another author or person/organisation.

Destroy 50 years after date of agreement or after the expiry date as specified in the agreement

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Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

1891



Records of internal and external committees formed to consider matters relating to the publication function. Includes:

- documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- · reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

Includes both internal and external committees.

1892

Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of committees which consider matters relating to the publication function. Includes:

Destroy when reference ceases

Disposal Action

Destroy 3 years

after action

completed

- agenda
- · notices of minutes
- · draft minutes.

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Compliance

The activities associated with complying with mandatory or optional accountability, fiscal, legal, regulatory or quality standards or requirements to which the organisation is subject. Includes compliance with legislation and with national and international standards, such as the ISO 9000 series.

Other activities within this function may also be relevant to the Compliance activity.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1893

Records documenting agency compliance with mandatory or optional standards or with statutory requirements for the publication function. Includes:

Destroy 7 years after action completed

- lodgements of agency publications under the Commonwealth Library Deposit and Free Issues Scheme and Section 201 of the Copyright Act 1968
- allocation of ISBN, ISSN, barcodes and URL addresses
- the attachment of privacy statements to websites to support the Information Privacy Principles (IPP) specified in Section 14 of the Privacy Act 1988
- notification to lead agency (currently AusInfo) of new titles
- use of official symbols
- Internet domain names.

Contracting-out

The activities involved in managing the performance of work or the provision of goods and services by an external contractor, vendor or consultant, or by using external bureau services. Includes outsourcing.

For information on records issues relating to outsourcing and contracting-out see General Disposal Authority 25.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1894

Records documenting contract management relating to the publication function. Includes:

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract

- minutes of meetings with main stakeholders
- performance and evaluation reports.

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Corporate Style

The activity of compiling and administering guidelines on the consistency in written style, graphic design etc within the organisation's documents. Includes designing logos, letterhead, stationery, publications etc. that incorporate the corporate image of the organisation.

Entry No 1895	Description of Records Agency style manuals	Disposal Action Destroy when style manual is superseded
1896	Records documenting the development and approval of designs for agency logos, letterhead, stationery and publications incorporating the corporate image of the organisation.	Destroy when style superseded
	[For records documenting the production process, use PUBLICATION - Production.	
	For records documenting forms design, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Control.]	
1897	Records documenting rejected designs.	Destroy when reference ceases
1898	Records documenting the implementation and administration of the approved corporate style for agency documents, stationery and publications.	Destroy when style superseded

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Disposal

The process of disposing of property no longer required by the organisation, by sale, transfer, termination of lease, auction, donation or destruction. Includes destruction or transfer to archives, and the program of activities to facilitate the orderly transfer of semi-active and inactive records from current office space into storage.

For records relating to disposal of non-agency publications, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Disposal.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1899

Duplicate agency publications produced before 1968 (ie before the commencement of legal deposit under the Copyright Act 1968). Undertake disposal action in accordance with Purchasing Australia's Guidelines for Surplus Asset Disposal, Canberra, Australian Government

Publishing Service, 1996.

Destroy when reference ceases

1900

Duplicate agency publications produced after 1968.

Destroy when reference ceases



Distribution

The activities associated with disseminating items, correspondence, or publications through sales, deliveries, or other customer services.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1901

Records documenting the distribution activity for agency publications. Includes address lists.

Destroy when reference ceases

[For accounting records supporting the sale of publications, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting.]

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Drafting

The activities associated with preparing preliminary drafts or outlines of addresses, reports, articles, plans, sketches, etc. prior to production.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1902

Records documenting the drafting process of agency publications (including annual reports).

Destroy when reference ceases

[For final electronic/paper drafts, use PUBLICATION Production.

For the drafting of legislation, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Legislation.]

Enquiries

The activities associated with the handling of requests for information about the organisation and its services by the general public, agency employees or another organisation.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1903

Enquiries received from the public or another government agency seeking information about the agency's publications.

Destroy after action completed

Evaluation

The process of determining the suitability of potential or existing programs, items of equipment, systems or services in relation to meeting the needs of the given situation. Includes systems analysis and ongoing monitoring.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1904

Records documenting the evaluation of publication programs and products (eg websites and publications).

Destroy 5 years after evaluation completed

1905

Records documenting the evaluation of manuscripts against the agency's publication plan and selection criteria.

Destroy 2 years after evaluation completed

[For manuscripts chosen for publication, use PUBLICATION - Production.]

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Intellectual Property

The activities involved in managing the agency's intellectual property, both published and unpublished, and the use of material held by the agency in which another party owns the intellectual property. Includes the management of copyright, design, patents and trademarks, royalties and matters of confidentiality such as trade secrets which are not available to the public under Freedom of Information (FOI) legislation.

For handling infringements of an organisation's intellectual property, use LEGAL SERVICES - Infringements.

For the establishment and general management of intellectual property, use LEGAL SERVICES - Intellectual Property.

For the payment and receipt of royalties, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1906	Requests from the public and other agencies for permission to reproduce either published or unpublished material in	Destroy 7 years after action
	which the agency retains copyright. Includes liaison with the lead agency (currently AusInfo).	completed

1907 Applications made by the agency to reproduce published material held under copyright by another agency, organisation or individual.

[For agreements undertaken to vest Crown copyright in another author or person/organisation, use PUBLICATION - Agreements.]

The function of having works, irrespective of format, issued for sale or distribution internally or to the public. Includes drafting, manual or electronic production (design, layout, typesetting, printing etc.), marketing and supply of publications by the organisation. Includes external publications (such as technical papers, issues papers, articles for professional journals and reports) and leaflets which aim to promote the services and public image of the organisation; and internal publications (such as newsletters, circulars, procedure manuals etc.), which are not produced for public relations reasons. Also includes multi media publications, CD-ROM and online information services.

Joint Ventures

The activities involved in managing joint operations between departments, either within the organisation or with other organisations, or with the government, where there is a contract, joint contribution of funds and/or time. Also includes private sector ventures with public sector organisations, and co-research or collaboration between inter-departmental units, departments or organisations.

Entry No 1908	Description of Records Records documenting the management of publishing joint ventures. Includes records relating to the establishment, maintenance and review of joint venture agreements and contracts.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after action completed
1909	Signed joint venture contracts under seal and supporting records: Western Australia.	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract
1910	Signed joint venture contracts under seal and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia.	Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract
1911	Signed joint venture contracts under seal and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Australian Capital Territory and Tasmania.	Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
1912	Signed simple joint venture contracts and agreements and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract

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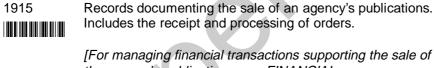
Marketing

The process of analysing, creating and selling products and services. Includes market research, sales forecasting, advertising, media releases, promotion, pricing and product evaluation.

Poscription of Records Records documenting the marketing of publications. Includes research and assessment of products against market trends, sale forecasting, pricing and liaison with retailers. [For the development of a marketing plan, use PUBLICATION - Planning.]

1914	Records documenting the promotion of agency
	publications. Includes arranging advertising, product
	launches, displays at appropriate venues and photographs
	taken.

Destroy 3 years after action completed



Destroy 1 year after sale

[For managing financial transactions supporting the sale of the agency's publications, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting.]

Meetings

The activities associated with ad-hoc gatherings held to formulate, discuss, update, or resolve issues and matters pertaining to the management of the section, department, or organisation as a whole. Includes arrangements, agenda, taking of minutes etc. Excludes committee meetings.

Entry No 1916	Description of Records Final version of minutes and supporting documents tabled at meetings held to support the publication function. Includes meetings with external agencies.	Disposal Action Destroy 3 years after action completed
1917	Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of meetings held to support the publication function. Includes agenda, notices of meetings and draft minutes.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Planning

The process of formulating ways in which objectives can be achieved. Includes determination of services, needs and solutions to those needs.

Entry No 1918	Description of Records Final version of agency-wide publication plans.	Disposal Action Destroy 3 years after plan is superseded
1919	Final version of a section or business unit's publication plans, including state, regional or overseas office.	Destroy 3 years after plan is superseded
1920	Final version of publication project plan for the production of a specific product or publication.	Destroy 1 year after production of publication
1921	Final version of marketing plans for a specific product or publication.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
1922	Working papers used to develop all publication plans. Includes draft plans, reports analysing issues, and comments received and input made by other areas of the agency.	Destroy 1 year after adoption of the final plan
1923	Copies of all publication plans.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No **Description of Records** Disposal Action 1924 Records documenting the development and establishment Destroy 5 years of the agency's publication policies. Includes: after policy is superseded · policy proposals · research papers · results of consultations supporting reports major drafts • final policy documents. Records documenting comments made on the development Destroy 2 years 1925 of government-wide publication policies. after promulgation of new policy Destroy 2 years 1926 Working papers documenting the development of all publication policies. after promulgation of new policy Copies of policy documents and supporting papers. 1927 Destroy when reference ceases

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Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1928	Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc detailing procedures supporting the publication function.	Destroy when procedures are
		superseded
1929	Records documenting the development of agency procedures supporting the publication function.	Destroy 1 year after production of procedures
1930	Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Production

The process involved in producing material into an end result or output, e.g. a product or publication. Includes design, layout, typesetting, desktop publishing, printing, binding etc.

Entry No

1931

Description of Records

Master at a factor and the

Master set of agency publications produced before 1968 (ie before the commencement of legal deposit under the Copyright Act 1968).

[For the disposal of duplicate agency publications produced before 1968, use PUBLICATIONS - Disposal.]

1932



Agency publications produced after 1968 (ie after commencement of legal deposit with the National Library of Australia under the Copyright Act, 1968 which was extended to include the Commonwealth Library Deposit and Free Issues Scheme in 1970). Includes all publications on CD-ROMs, disks, videos, audio tapes produced for the public using Commonwealth funding and covers:

- books
- booklets
- brochures
- · conference proceedings
- pamphlets, programs
- newsletters
- published reports (eg annual reports)
- published training material
- maps
- plans
- charts
- posters
- greeting cards
- calendars
- · reprints of journal articles.

[For the disposal of duplicate agency publications produced after 1968, use PUBLICATIONS - Disposal.]

Disposal Action

Retain as national archives

(1) Lodge with NLA according to legal deposit requirements and adhere to the Commonwealth Library Deposit and Free Issues Scheme and (2) place master set with agency's Library and retain according to 41 of ALIA Guidelines for Aust. Special Libraries.

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Production - Continued

The process involved in producing material into an end result or output, e.g. a product or publication. Includes design, layout, typesetting, desktop publishing, printing, binding etc.

Entry No 1933	Description of Records Publications produced only in an electronic format on an agency's public website.	Disposal Action Retain as national archives (1) capture in agency's electronic recordkeeping system, and (2) transfer to National Library's Pandora project.
1934	Master copy of agency-produced films.	Retain as national archives
1935	Snapshot of agency's public website taken in accordance with National Archives policy on archiving websites. [For carrying out a risk analysis to determine the timing of taking a snapshot of an agency's website, use PUBLICATIONS - Risk Management For system logs recording changes to websites and intranet site, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Control.]	Retain as national archives
1936	Snapshot of agency's intranet site, extranet sites and websites hosted on behalf of other organisations taken in accordance with National Archives policy on archiving websites.	Destroy when reference ceases
1937	Agency publications other than those paper publications lodged with the National Library of Australia (NLA) under legal deposit or electronic publications lodged with the NLA's Pandora project eg procedures, manuals and circulars.	Destroy according to disposal action directed under a relevant function in this Authority or an agency's RDA

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Production - Continued

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Entry No

Description of Records

Destroy 3 years after production

Disposal Action

1938

Records documenting the production process.

- For paper-based publications includes:
 graphic design
- indexing
- final drafts of publications (electronic/paper version)
- proof-reading
- printing/binding.

For electronic publications includes:

- graphic design
- preparation of source files
- marking-up of document, including applying metadata
- quality assurance and testing of final HTML files
- creation of master version
- production of electronic media products (eg CD-ROMs, diskettes)
- updating and maintaining information and websites.

For films and videos:

- production script
- selection of a production company
- liaison with production company

[For the activities associated with the preparation of drafts prior to publication, use PUBLICATION - Drafting.

For documenting the assignment of identifiers eg URL, ISSN and ISBN, use PUBLICATION - Compliance.

For planning the production of a specific product or publication, use PUBLICATION - Planning.]

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Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

Entry No 1939	Description of Records Final version of formal internal reports and reports made to external agencies relating to the publication function.	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after action completed
1940	Final version of periodic internal reports on general administrative matters used to monitor and document recurring activities to support the publication function. Includes work progress reports, production reports, reports against work plans and reports on statistical and other surveys.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
1941	Working papers documenting the development of all reports. Includes drafts and comments received.	Destroy 1 year after action completed
1942	Copies of publication reports.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Research

The activities involved in investigating or enquiring into a subject or area of interest in order to discover facts, principles etc. Used to support the development of projects, standards, guidelines etc and the business activities of the organisation in general. Includes following up enquiries relating to organisational programs, projects, working papers, literature searches etc.

Entry No 1943	Description of Records Records documenting research undertaken to support major publications of the agency.	Disposal Action Destroy 6 years after publication
1944	Records documenting routine research undertaken to support other publications of the agency.	Destroy 1 year after publication

Reviewing

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

Entry No 1945	Description of Records Records documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the publication function. Includes documents establishing the review, final report and action plan.	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after action completed
1946	Working papers documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the publication function.	Destroy 2 years after action completed

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Risk Management

The process involving the identification of risks, the likelihood and consequences of those risks, and the implementation of appropriate practice and procedures to treat the risks.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1947 	Records documenting risk management relating to the publication function (eg risk analysis to determine timing for a snapshot to be taken of the agency's web/intranet site). Includes records covering each stage of the process.	Destroy 7 years after last snapshot of website was taken
1948 	Records documenting other risk management analysis undertaken to support the publication function. Includes records covering each stage of the process, treatment schedules and action plans.	Destroy 7 years after next risk assessment
1949 	Publications risk register.	Destroy 7 years after last risk assessment

Stocktake

The activities associated with the examination, counting and valuing of goods in the organisation with the view to reassessing the need for replacing those goods, and to identify missing items and determine the condition of the existing items.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1950	Records documenting stocktakes of agency's publications (eg stocktake lists). Includes recommendations for the reprint/reproduction of a publication.	Destroy 2 years after action completed

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Tendering

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1951	Records documenting the development and issue of tender documentation. Includes Statement of Requirements, Request for Proposals, Expression of Interest, Request for Tender (RFT) and draft contract.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1952	Evaluation of tenders received against selection criteria. Includes records documenting arrangements for carrying out the evaluation process, evaluation reports, recommendations, final report and public notices.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1953	Records documenting post-offer negotiations and due diligence checks.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
1954	Records of unsuccessful tenders or a tender process where there is no suitable bidder, or where the tender process has been discontinued. Includes submissions, notification of outcome and reports on debriefing sessions.	Destroy 2 years after tender process completed or decision made not to continue with the tender
1955	Tender register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry
1956	Signed contract under seal and supporting records: Western Australia.	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract

The function of having works, irrespective of format, issued for sale or distribution internally or to the public. Includes drafting, manual or electronic production (design, layout, typesetting, printing etc.), marketing and supply of publications by the organisation. Includes external publications (such as technical papers, issues papers, articles for professional journals and reports) and leaflets which aim to promote the services and public image of the organisation; and internal publications (such as newsletters, circulars, procedure manuals etc.), which are not produced for public relations reasons. Also includes multi media publications, CD-ROM and online information services.

Tendering - Continued

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1957	Signed contract under seal and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia.	Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract
1958	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory.	Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
1959	Signed simple contracts and agreements resulting from tenders and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
1960	Contract register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry

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Acquisition

The process of gaining ownership or use of property and other items or the provision of services required in the conduct of business through purchase or requisitions.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1961



Records documenting the acquisition of goods (eg training packages) and services (eg training consultants) required to support the staff development function where there is no tender or contracting-out process (ie where the cost of the acquisition is below the threshold for tendering or where a purchase is made against a period contract).

[For the acquisition of staff development goods and services through a tender process, use STAFF DEVELOPMENT - Tendering.

For managing contracted services supporting the acquisition process, use STAFF DEVELOPMENT - Contracting-out.

For managing financial transactions supporting acquisition activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

Addresses (presentations)

The activity of giving addresses for training, professional, community relations or sales purposes. Includes speeches and multi-media presentations.

For the publication of addresses in conference proceedings or training material, use PUBLICATION - Production.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1962



Final versions of addresses delivered to conferences and training courses supporting the staff development function.

Destroy when reference ceases

1963



Records documenting the preparation of addresses. Includes working papers and drafts.

Destroy when reference ceases

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Advice

The activities associated with offering opinions by or to the organisation as to an action or judgement. Includes the process of advising.

Entry No Description of Records

1964

Records relating to the receipt and provision of advice on the staff development function. Includes the procurement and distribution of advice on training courses.

Disposal Action

Destroy 3 years after action completed

Allowances

The activities involved in arranging and managing money paid to employees in addition to salary to cover expenses incurred in the course of employment, e.g. travelling allowances.

Entry No

Description of Records

1965

Records documenting the payment of allowances to employees to attend training courses.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after action completed

[For the payment of allowances to employees, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Salaries.]

Arrangements

The activities involved in arranging for a journey or trip. Includes preparing travel itineraries, authorisations, entitlements etc. Also includes arrangements made for the delivery of equipment or goods and the usage made of facilities, vehicles, equipment and space.

Entry No

Description of Records

1966



Records relating to travel and accommodation arrangements made for employees to attend training courses and conferences.

Disposal Action

Destroy 1 year after action completed

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Audit

The activities associated with officially checking financial, quality assurance and operational records to ensure they have been kept and maintained in accordance with agreed or legislated standards and correctly record the events, processes and business of the organisation in a specified period. Includes compliance audits, financial audits, operational audits, recordkeeping audits, skills audits, system audits and quality assurance audits.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1967

Final versions of internal and external audit reports relating to the staff development function. Includes agency skills audit reports. Destroy 5 years after report is completed

1968



Records documenting the planning and conduct of internal and external audits relating to the staff development function. Includes:

Destroy 2 years after action completed

- · liaison with the auditing body
- · minutes of meetings
- notes taken at opening and exit interviews
- draft report
- comments.

[For the identification of training and development needs of individuals, use PERSONNEL- Performance Management.]

Authorisation

The process of delegating power to authorise an action and the seeking and granting permission to undertake a requested action.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1969

Delegations of power to agency staff to authorise administrative action relating to the staff development function.

Destroy 7 years after delegation expires

1970



Authorisations for administrative action relating to the staff development function.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

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Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1971

Records of internal and external committees formed to consider matters relating to the staff development function. Includes:

Destroy 3 years after action completed

- · documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- · reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

Destroy when

reference ceases



Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of committees which consider matters relating to the staff development function. Includes:

- agenda
- notices of meetings
- draft minutes.

Compliance

The activities associated with complying with mandatory or optional accountability, fiscal, legal, regulatory or quality standards or requirements to which the organisation is subject. Includes compliance with legislation and with national and international standards, such as the ISO 9000 series.

Other activities within this function may also be relevant to the Compliance activity.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1973

Records documenting agency compliance with mandatory or optional standards or with statutory requirements relating to the staff development function.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

Destroy 3 years from the date of the

conference

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

The function of encouraging staff to develop their skills and abilities (through activities, programs and events) to maximise their potential and increase their productivity. Includes identifying and implementing all aspects of training needs and programs (internal and external) available to staff.

Conferences

1979

The activities involved in arranging or attending conferences held either by the organisation or by other organisations. Includes registrations, publicity, and reports of participants etc.

Entry No Description of Records Disposal Action 1974 Records documenting conferences arranged by the agency Destroy 3 years to support the staff development function. Includes: after action completed program development invitations to speakers · promotion activities registrations venue bookings · copies of financial statements. 1975 Reports commenting on and assessing agency-arranged Destroy 5 years conferences held to support the staff development function. after action completed 1976 Master copies of unpublished proceedings and reports, Destroy 5 years speeches and papers from agency arranged conferences to after last action support the staff development function. [For published agency-arranged conference proceedings, use PUBLICATIONS - Production.] Records documenting the attendance of staff at 1977 Destroy when conferences arranged by other organisations. Includes reference ceases conference promotion material, programs and conference registration forms. [For travel and accommodation arrangements made for staff to attend conferences, use STAFF DEVELOPMENT -Arrangements.] 1978 Copies of published conference proceedings and official Place one copy in reports received at conferences arranged by other agency library or organisations. information centre. Destroy when reference ceases

Assessments of conferences arranged by other

organisations.

The function of encouraging staff to develop their skills and abilities (through activities, programs and events) to maximise their potential and increase their productivity. Includes identifying and implementing all aspects of training needs and programs (internal and external) available to staff.

Contracting-out

The activities involved in managing the performance of work or the provision of goods and services by an external contractor, vendor or consultant, or by using external bureau services. Includes outsourcing.

For information on records issues relating to outsourcing and contracting-out see General Disposal Authority 25.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1980

Records documenting contract management relating to the staff development function. Includes:

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract

- .
 - minutes of meetings with main stakeholders
 - performance and evaluation reports.

Evaluation

The process of determining the suitability of potential or existing programs, items of equipment, systems or services in relation to meeting the needs of the given situation. Includes systems analysis and ongoing monitoring.

Entry No

1981

Description of Records

Disposal Action

Records documenting the evaluation of potential or existing activities, programs and events relating to an agencies staff development function.

Destroy 5 years after evaluation

Meetings

The activities associated with ad-hoc gatherings held to formulate, discuss, update, or resolve issues and matters pertaining to the management of the section, department, or organisation as a whole. Includes arrangements, agenda, taking of minutes etc. Excludes committee meetings.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1982

Final version of minutes and supporting documents tabled at meetings held to support the staff development function. Includes meetings with external agencies. Destroy 3 years after action completed

1983



Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of meetings held to support the staff development function. Includes agenda, notices of

Destroy when reference ceases

meetings and draft minutes.

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Planning

The process of formulating ways in which objectives can be achieved. Includes determination of services, needs and solutions to those needs.

Entry No 1984	Description of Records Final version of agency-wide staff development plans. Includes training project management plans.	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after plan is superseded
1985	Final version of a section or business unit's staff development plans, including state, regional or overseas office.	Destroy 3 years after plan is superseded
1986	Working papers used to develop all staff development plans. Includes draft plans, reports analysing issues, and comments received from other areas of the agency.	Destroy 1 year after adoption of the final plan
1987	Copies of all staff development plans.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1988	Records documenting the development and establishment of the agency's staff development policies. Includes:	Destroy 5 years after policy is superseded
	 policy proposals research papers results of consultations supporting reports major drafts final policy documents. 	
1989 	Records documenting comments made on the development of government-wide staff development policies.	Destroy 1 year after promulgation of the new policy
1990	Working papers documenting the development of all staff development policies.	Destroy 1 year after promulgation of the new policy
1991	Copies of policy documents and supporting papers.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1992 	Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc detailing procedures supporting the staff development function.	Destroy when procedures are superseded
1993 	Records documenting the development of agency procedures supporting the staff development function.	Destroy 1 year after production of procedures
1994	Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc.	Destroy when reference ceases

Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

Entry No 1995	Description of Records Final version of formal reports and reports made to external agencies relating to the staff development function. Includes general staff surveys.	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after action completed
1996	Final version of periodic reports on general administrative matters used to monitor and document recurring activities to support the staff development function.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
1997	Working papers documenting the development of all reports. Includes drafts and comments received.	Destroy 1 year after action completed
1998	Copies of staff development reports.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Reviewing

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

Entry No Description of Records

1999

Records documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the staff development function. Includes documents establishing the review, final report and action plan.

Disposal Action
Destroy 5 years
after action

completed

2000

Working papers documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the staff development function.

Destroy 2 years after action completed

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Tendering

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 2001	Description of Records Records documenting the development and issue of tender documentation. Includes Statement of Requirements, Request for Proposals, Expression of Interest, Request for Tender (RFT) and draft contract.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
2002	Evaluation of tenders received against selection criteria. Includes records documenting arrangements for carrying out the evaluation process, evaluation report, recommendations, final report and public notices.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
2003	Records documenting post-offer negotiations and due diligence checks.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
2004	Records of unsuccessful tenders or a tender process, where there is no suitable bidder, or where the tender process has been discontinued. Includes submissions, notification of outcome and reports on debriefing sessions.	Destroy 2 years after tender process completed or decision made not to continue with the tender
2005	Tender register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry
2006	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory.	Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
2007	Signed contacts under seal and supporting records: Western Australia.	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract

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Tendering - Continued

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 2008	Description of Records Signed contracts under seal resulting fro supporting records: Victoria and South A		Disposal Action Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract
2009	Signed simple contracts and agreement tenders and supporting records.	s resulting from	Destroy 7 years after action completed
2010	Contract register.	0	Destroy 7 years after last entry

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Training

The activities associated with all aspects of training (external/internal) available to staff.

Entry No 2011	Description of Records Records documenting the administration of government-wide initiatives [eg the administration of the Training Guarantee (Administration) Act 1990-1996].	Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after action completed
2012	Records documenting the administration of specific study schemes (eg Studybank, scholarships, agency-supported apprenticeship and other specific trainee schemes).	Destroy 7 years after action completed
2013	Records detailing staff attendance at both internal and external courses.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
2014	Records detailing administrative arrangements supporting the attendance of staff on training courses. Includes confirmation of course attendance and lodgement of application forms.	Destroy 2 years after action completed
	[For travel and accommodation arrangements made for staff to attend training courses, use STAFF DEVELOPMENT - Arrangements.]	
2015	Notices of examination results of either internal or external courses attended by staff.	Destroy 7 years after action completed
C	[Individual formal assessments and examination results should be kept on the staff member's personnel history file. In such instances, use PERSONNEL - Cases.]	
2016	Records documenting assessments of internally and externally conducted courses. Includes course evaluations made by staff after attending courses.	Destroy 3 years after action completed

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Training - Continued

The activities associated with all aspects of training (external/internal) available to staff.

Entry No

Description of Records

2017

Master set of training material for courses run internally by the agency (eg induction courses, graduate training and training of volunteers). Includes:

- programs
- lecture notes
- hand-outs
- · films and videos.

[For publishing training material, use PUBLICATION -Production.]

2018



Working papers documenting the development of training material for courses run internally by the agency.

Destroy 1 year after training material is produced

Disposal Action

superseded or when training material is

no longer relevant

Destroy when

course is

2019



Records detailing administrative arrangements supporting the conduct of training courses run internally by the agency. Includes:

Destroy 2 years after action completed

- processing applications
- venue bookings
- hire of equipment
- catering
- · copies of financial records.

[For the payment of accounts supporting the running of internal courses, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT -Accounting and Payments.]

2020



Records documenting occupational health and safety (OH&S) training provided to agency staff including managers and OH&S representatives. Includes hazardous substance training and training provided to staff working in confined spaces.

Destroy 50 years after training is completed

2021

Occupational health and safety (OH&S) training register.

Destroy 50 years after last entry

STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

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Agreements

The processes associated with the establishment, maintenance, review and negotiation of agreements.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action



Final version of agreements made to support the agency's strategic management function. Includes service level agreements made between various units of the agency.

Destroy 5 years after agreement expires or is superseded

2023



Records documenting negotiations, establishment, maintenance and review of agreements.

Destroy 5 years after agreement expires or is superseded

Audit

The activities associated with officially checking financial, quality assurance and operational records to ensure they have been kept and maintained in accordance with agreed or legislated standards and correctly record the events, processes and business of the organisation in a specified period. Includes compliance audits, financial audits, operational audits, recordkeeping audits, skills audits, system audits and quality assurance audits.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2024

2025

Final internal and external audit reports relating to the strategic management function.

Destroy 10 years after action completed

Records documenting the planning and conduct of internal

Destroy 5 years after action completed

- and external audits relating to the strategic management function. Includes:
 - liaison with the auditing body
 - minutes of meetings
 - notes taken at opening and exit interviews
 - draft report
 - · comments.

STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

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Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2026



Records documenting high-level corporate committees with overall responsibility for making major decisions in the area of agency policy and agency corporate planning (eg executive management boards). Includes:

Retain as national archives

- · documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- · reports
- · recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

2027



Records of internal committees formed to consider specific matters relating to the strategic management function eg audit committee, steering committees and ad hoc committees. Includes:

Destroy 10 years after action completed

- · documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing and discussion papers.

[Other committees that have a strategic management perspective should be linked to more specific functions eg use PERSONNEL - Committees for personnel committees, and TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Committees for information technology steering committees.]

2028



Records documenting external or inter-agency committees formed to consider strategic management issues where the agency is a member. Includes:

Destroy 5 years after action completed

- documents establishing the committee
- appointment of members
- minutes
- supporting documents such as briefing and discussion papers.

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Committees - Continued

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Entry No 2029

Description of Records

Disposal Action



Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of all committees which consider matters relating to the strategic management function. Includes:

Destroy when reference ceases

- agenda
- notices of minutes
- · draft minutes.

Compliance

The activities associated with complying with mandatory or optional accountability, fiscal, legal, regulatory or quality standards or requirements to which the organisation is subject. Includes compliance with legislation and with national and international standards, such as the ISO 9000 series.

Other activities within this function may also be relevant to the Compliance activity.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2030

Records documenting agency compliance with broad

legislative and regulatory requirements.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

Conferences

The activities involved in arranging or attending conferences held either by the organisation or by other organisations. Includes registrations, publicity, and reports of participants etc.

Entry No Description of Records

Disposal Action

N/A

[For internal conferences to discuss strategic management issues, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Meetings

N/A

The function of applying broad systematic management planning for the organisation. Includes the activities involved with the development, monitoring and reviewing of business plans, strategic plans, corporate plans, and other long-term organisational strategies. Also includes the development of the corporate mission, objectives, continuous improvement processes, quality assurance and certification, and the formulation and amendment of legislation which provides the legislative basis for the organisation.

Contracting-out

The activities involved in managing the performance of work or the provision of goods and services by an external contractor, vendor or consultant, or by using external bureau services. Includes outsourcing.

For information on records issues relating to outsourcing and contracting-out see General Disposal Authority 25.

Entry No Description of Records

2031

Records documenting contract management relating to the strategic management function. Includes:

- minutes of meetings with main stakeholders
- performance and evaluation reports.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract

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Corruption

The processes which allow the disclosure of corruption, and strategies for the prevention of corruption. Includes involvement in corruption prevention projects and the education of staff about corruption disclosures.

Entry No Description of Records

Disposal Action

N/A

[For activities relating to the disclosure and prevention of corruption, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT- Fraud.]

N/A

The function of applying broad systematic management planning for the organisation. Includes the activities involved with the development, monitoring and reviewing of business plans, strategic plans, corporate plans, and other long-term organisational strategies. Also includes the development of the corporate mission, objectives, continuous improvement processes, quality assurance and certification, and the formulation and amendment of legislation which provides the legislative basis for the organisation.

Customer Service

The activities associated with the planning, monitoring and evaluation of services provided to customers by the organisation.

For specific plans supporting customer service strategies, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Planning.

For an agency's customer service policy, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Policy.

Entry No Description of Records

2032

Records documenting the development of agency-wide strategies to deliver quality customer services.

Disposal Action

Destroy 5 years after strategies are superseded

2033

Records documenting development of an agency-wide service charter.

Destroy 5 years after Service Charter is superseded

[For the development of specific service charters, use the activity Customer Service under COMMUNITY RELATIONS and INFORMATION MANAGEMENT.

For the development and production of the publication of the service charter, use PUBLICATION - Planning and PUBLICATION - Production.]

Evaluation

The process of determining the suitability of potential or existing programs, items of equipment, systems or services in relation to meeting the needs of the given situation. Includes systems analysis and ongoing monitoring.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2034

Records documenting the evaluation of an agency's strategic programs and services.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

[For the evaluation of performance management programs, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Performance Management.]

The function of applying broad systematic management planning for the organisation. Includes the activities involved with the development, monitoring and reviewing of business plans, strategic plans, corporate plans, and other long-term organisational strategies. Also includes the development of the corporate mission, objectives, continuous improvement processes, quality assurance and certification, and the formulation and amendment of legislation which provides the legislative basis for the organisation.

Fraud

The processes which allow the disclosure of fraud, and strategies for the prevention of fraud. Includes involvement in fraud prevention projects and the education of staff about fraud disclosures.

This function/activity set should not be used by agencies who undertake fraud surveillance and associated action to support a core function. In such cases specific coverage should be included in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

For agency fraud control plan supporting Government policy, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Planning.

For financial management arrangements supporting the agency's fraud control plan, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Fraud.

For investigations into fraud allegations made against an employee, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.

Entry No 2035	Description of Records Records documenting the management of broad strategies to prevent fraud within the agency.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after strategies are superseded
2036	Records documenting the disclosure and investigation of fraud allegations made by or about an agency.	Destroy 7 years after action completed

Disposal Action

after strategies are

Destroy 7 years

superseded

STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The function of applying broad systematic management planning for the organisation. Includes the activities involved with the development, monitoring and reviewing of business plans, strategic plans, corporate plans, and other long-term organisational strategies. Also includes the development of the corporate mission, objectives, continuous improvement processes, quality assurance and certification, and the formulation and amendment of legislation which provides the legislative basis for the organisation.

Grant Funding

The activities associated with the application for and receipt of grants.

Entry No

Description of Records

2037



Records documenting the development of strategies for managing processes associated with the agency applying for grants.

[For specific plans supporting strategies for the receipt of grant funding, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Planning.

For an agency's grant funding policy, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Policy.

For the application and management of grant funding from a public source, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Grant Fundina.

For the administration of grant funds received by an agency, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Grant Funding.]

Implementation

The activities associated with carrying out or putting into action, plans, policies, procedures or instructions, all of which could be internally or externally driven. Includes manual or automated databases, applications or systems, but excludes the installation of equipment. Also includes monitoring to ensure that the implementation goes according to schedule and that standards are met and first aid treatment.

Entry No

Description of Records

2038 Records documenting the implementation of plans, policies, strategies, procedures and instructions formulated to support the strategic management function. Includes

monitoring the implementation activities.

Disposal Action

Destroy 3 years after action completed

The function of applying broad systematic management planning for the organisation. Includes the activities involved with the development, monitoring and reviewing of business plans, strategic plans, corporate plans, and other long-term organisational strategies. Also includes the development of the corporate mission, objectives, continuous improvement processes, quality assurance and certification, and the formulation and amendment of legislation which provides the legislative basis for the organisation.

Legislation

The process of making laws. Includes Local, State, Commonwealth and overseas Acts, Bills and subsections of Acts, and amendments to each.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2039

Records documenting the development of proposals for new legislation and amendments to existing legislation administered by the agency. Includes submissions prepared for the agency's executive or corporate management board.

[For submissions to the portfolio Minister and to Cabinet relating to legislative proposals, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

For records supporting the preparation and passage of agency legislation through Parliament, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Legislation.

For advice provided to Cabinet, the portfolio Minister and other government agencies on the proposed legislation for the agency and for comments made on other agencies' proposed legislation, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Advice.

For legal advice received on the interpretation of legislation, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice.]

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Meetings

The activities associated with ad-hoc gatherings held to formulate, discuss, update, or resolve issues and matters pertaining to the management of the section, department, or organisation as a whole. Includes arrangements, agenda, taking of minutes etc. Excludes committee meetings.

Entry No 2040	Description of Records Final version of minutes and supporting documents tabled at meetings held to support the strategic management function. Includes meetings with external agencies and internal management conferences held to discuss strategic issues.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after action completed
2041	Copies of minutes and supporting documents tabled at meetings held to support the strategic management function convened by another agency or organisation.	Destroy 5 years after action completed
2042	Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of all meetings to support the strategic management function. Includes agenda, notices of meetings and draft minutes.	Destroy 1 year after action completed

The function of applying broad systematic management planning for the organisation. Includes the activities involved with the development, monitoring and reviewing of business plans, strategic plans, corporate plans, and other long-term organisational strategies. Also includes the development of the corporate mission, objectives, continuous improvement processes, quality assurance and certification, and the formulation and amendment of legislation which provides the legislative basis for the organisation.

Performance Management

The process of identifying, evaluating, and developing corporate and employee work performance so that the organisation's goals and objectives are achieved and also benefiting employees through recognition, performance feedback, catering for work needs and offering career guidance.

Entry No

Description of Records

2043



Records documenting the corporate performance management process including:

- determination and evaluation of performance indicators
- preparation of performance reports
- assessment, evaluation and monitoring of activities as part of the performance improvement cycle of the agency against broader Commonwealth goals.

[For identifying, evaluating and developing performance programs for agency staff, use PERSONNEL - Performance Management.

For individual employee performance agreements, use PERSONNEL - Performance Management.]

Disposal Action

Destroy 5 years after action completed

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The function of applying broad systematic management planning for the organisation. Includes the activities involved with the development, monitoring and reviewing of business plans, strategic plans, corporate plans, and other long-term organisational strategies. Also includes the development of the corporate mission, objectives, continuous improvement processes, quality assurance and certification, and the formulation and amendment of legislation which provides the legislative basis for the organisation.

Planning

The process of formulating ways in which objectives can be achieved. Includes determination of services, needs and solutions to those needs.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
2044	Final version of agency-wide strategic or corporate plans.	Retain as national archives
2045	Final versions of national business plans and unit level work plans.	Destroy 5 years after plan is superseded
2046	Final versions of other plans formulated to support the management of specific strategic management activities (eg fraud control plan and human resource management plan).	Destroy 7 years after plan is superseded
2047	Working papers documenting the development of all strategic management plans. Includes input into plans, comments received and drafts.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
2048	Copies of all strategic management plans.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of applying broad systematic management planning for the organisation. Includes the activities involved with the development, monitoring and reviewing of business plans, strategic plans, corporate plans, and other long-term organisational strategies. Also includes the development of the corporate mission, objectives, continuous improvement processes, quality assurance and certification, and the formulation and amendment of legislation which provides the legislative basis for the organisation.

Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No 2049	Description of Records Records documenting the development and establishment of the agency's strategic management policies. Includes:	Disposal Action Retain as national archives
	 policy proposals research papers results of consultations supporting reports major drafts final policy documents national policy statements. 	
	[For the development of the Chief Executive instructions, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Policy.]	
2050	Records documenting comments made on the development of government-wide strategic management policies.	Destroy 3 years after promulgation of the new policy
2051	Working papers documenting the development of all strategic management policies.	Destroy 3 years after promulgation of the new policy
2052	Copies of policy documents and supporting papers.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of applying broad systematic management planning for the organisation. Includes the activities involved with the development, monitoring and reviewing of business plans, strategic plans, corporate plans, and other long-term organisational strategies. Also includes the development of the corporate mission, objectives, continuous improvement processes, quality assurance and certification, and the formulation and amendment of legislation which provides the legislative basis for the organisation.

Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

2053	Description of Records Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc detailing procedures supporting the strategic management function.	Disposal Action Destroy when procedures are superseded
2054	Records documenting the development of agency procedures supporting the strategic management function	Destroy 1 year after production of procedures
2055	Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of applying broad systematic management planning for the organisation. Includes the activities involved with the development, monitoring and reviewing of business plans, strategic plans, corporate plans, and other long-term organisational strategies. Also includes the development of the corporate mission, objectives, continuous improvement processes, quality assurance and certification, and the formulation and amendment of legislation which provides the legislative basis for the organisation.

Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

Entry No 2056	Description of Records Final versions of formal internal reports and reports made to external agencies relating to the strategic management function.	Disposal Action Retain as national archives
	[For the Annual Report drafting process, use PUBLICATION - Drafting.	
	For the design, printing and retention of the final copy of an agency's Annual Report, use PUBLICATION - Production.	
	For the submission of the agency's Annual Report to the portfolio Minister, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Compliance.]	
2057	Final versions of periodic internal reports on general administrative matters used to monitor and document recurring activities to support the strategic management function. Includes work progress reports against business and work plans and unit level performance reporting.	Destroy 7 years after action completed
2058	Working papers documenting the development of all reports. Includes drafts and comments received.	Destroy 2 years after action completed
2059	Copies of strategic management reports.	Destroy when reference ceases
2060	Responses to surveys by other agencies or by the central office of an agency.	Destroy 3 years after action completed

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Research

The activities involved in investigating or enquiring into a subject or area of interest in order to discover facts, principles etc. Used to support the development of projects, standards, guidelines etc and the business activities of the organisation in general. Includes following up enquiries relating to organisational programs, projects, working papers, literature searches etc.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
2061	Records documenting major research carried out to support the strategic management function.	Destroy 5 years after action completed
2062	Records documenting minor research carried out to support the strategic management function.	Destroy when reference ceases

Reviewing

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

For reviews of an agency structure to meet organisational goals, use ESTABLISHMENT - Restructuring.

Entry No 2063	Description of Records Records documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the strategic management function. Includes documents establishing the review, final report and action plan.	Disposal Action Destroy 10 years after action completed
2064	Working papers documenting a review of agency programs and operations supporting the strategic management function.	Destroy 3 years after action completed

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Risk Management

The process involving the identification of risks, the likelihood and consequences of those risks, and the implementation of appropriate practice and procedures to treat the risks.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
2065	Records documenting risk management including each	Destroy 7 years
	stage of the process, risk assessments, treatment	after next risk
	schedules and action plans	assessment

2066 Strategic management risk register. Destroy 7 years after next risk assessment

Standards

The process of implementing industry or organisational benchmarks for services and processes to enhance the quality and efficiency of the organisation.

For compliance with standards (except where other activities apply), use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Compliance.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
2067	Records documenting the implementation of industry and agency standards to support the strategic management function.	Destroy 7 years after action completed

Disposal Action

STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Description of Records

The function of applying broad systematic management planning for the organisation. Includes the activities involved with the development, monitoring and reviewing of business plans, strategic plans, corporate plans, and other long-term organisational strategies. Also includes the development of the corporate mission, objectives, continuous improvement processes, quality assurance and certification, and the formulation and amendment of legislation which provides the legislative basis for the organisation.

Tendering

Entry No

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

2068	Records documenting the development and issue of tender documentation. Includes Statement of Requirements, Request for Proposals, Expression of Interest, Request for Tender (RFT) and draft contract.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
2069	Evaluation of tenders received against selection criteria. Includes records documenting arrangements for carrying out the evaluation process, evaluation report, recommendations, final report and public notices.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
2070	Records documenting post-offer negotiations and due diligence checks.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
2071	Records of unsuccessful tenders or a tender process where there is no suitable bidder, or where the tender process has been discontinued. Includes submissions, notification of outcome and reports on debriefing sessions.	Destroy 2 years after tender process completed or decision made not to continue with the tender
2072	Tender register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry
2073	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Western Australia.	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract
2074	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia.	Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract

The function of applying broad systematic management planning for the organisation. Includes the activities involved with the development, monitoring and reviewing of business plans, strategic plans, corporate plans, and other long-term organisational strategies. Also includes the development of the corporate mission, objectives, continuous improvement processes, quality assurance and certification, and the formulation and amendment of legislation which provides the legislative basis for the organisation.

Tendering - Continued

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
2075	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory.	Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
2076	Signed simple contracts and agreements resulting from tenders and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
2077	Contract register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Acquisition

The process of gaining ownership or use of property and other items or the provision of services required in the conduct of business through purchase or requisitions.

For the assessment of suitability of equipment, goods and services and the development of specifications, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Evaluation.

For the purchase of equipment, goods and services by tender, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Tendering.

For the management of contracted-out services, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Contracting-out.

For managing financial transactions supporting acquisition activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT- Accounting and/or Payments.

For entry of equipment and stores into the agency asset register, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Assets Register.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2078

Records documenting the acquisition of technology and telecommunications equipment, goods and services where there is no tender or contract process (ie where the cost of the acquisition is below the threshold for tendering or where a purchase is made against a period contract). Includes:

Destroy 7 years after action completed

- formal requests for quotes
- orders
- handover reports
- routine forms and correspondence relating to the acquisition.

2079



Records documenting acquisitions not proceeded with of technology and telecommunication equipment, goods and services. Destroy 2 years after action completed

[For the assessment of suitability of equipment, goods and services, use TECHNOLOGY &

TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Evaluation.]

2080

Information provided by technology and telecommunications vendors relating to products and services.

Destroy when reference ceases

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Advice

The activities associated with offering opinions by or to the organisation as to an action or judgement. Includes the process of advising.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2081

Records documenting the receipt and provision of external advice on technology and telecommunications issues. Includes advice provided by consultants.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

[For the management of contracts with consultants, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Contracting-out.]

2082



Records documenting the receipt and provision of internal advice on technology and telecommunications issues.

Destroy 1 year after action completed

Agreements

The processes associated with the establishment, maintenance, review and negotiation of agreements.

For lease agreements, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Leasing or TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Leasing-out.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2083

Final version of agreements with vendors or other agencies to provide technology and telecommunications services (eg Memoranda of Understanding).

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of agreement

2084



Records documenting negotiations, establishment, maintenance and review of agreements made.

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of agreement

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Allocation

The process of assigning of money, items, or equipment to employees or organisational units.

Entry No Description of Records

2085 R

Records documenting the allocation of equipment, services, facilities or software to individuals or organisational units. Includes the allocation of international subscriber dialling, subscriber trunk dialling, voicemail facilities and mobile phones.

Disposal Action

Destroy 3 years after last action



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Application Development

The activities associated with developing software and programming codes to run business applications. Includes specifications, testing, pilots, prototyping and metadata requirements.

Entry No

Description of Records

2086

Records documenting the development, modification and maintenance of specific applications to meet business needs which go into production. Includes:

- · feasibility studies
- · pilot studies
- final version of all system documentation, user and technical manuals
- · application specific data dictionaries
- final version of business rules
- final version of user requirements
- final version of system specifications
- rectification of problems (includes Year 2000 remediation)
- requests for system changes
- final sign-off by all parties.

[For system analysis and development of specifications, user requirements and business rules, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Evaluation.

For business process reengineering and revision of specifications, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Reviewing.

For the maintenance of agency-wide data dictionaries, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Data Administration.

For the ongoing management of database applications, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Database Management.

For requests for changes to existing systems, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Reviewing.]

Disposal Action

Destroy 5 years after (sub)system is defunct and any data supported is either migrated or destroyed

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Application Development - Continued

The activities associated with developing software and programming codes to run business applications. Includes specifications, testing, pilots, prototyping and metadata requirements.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2087



Records documenting the development and modification of specific applications to meet business needs which do not go into production or are otherwise abandoned. Includes:

Destroy 2 years after last action

- feasibility studies
- · pilot studies
- · system documentation, user and technical manuals
- · application specific data dictionaries
- business rules
- user requirements
- system specifications

2088



Records documenting testing activities where unexpected results are found. Includes:

Destroy when problem has been rectified

- · testing strategies
- result forms
- test report.

2089



Records documenting testing activities where expected results are found. Includes:

Destroy 7 years after action completed

- testing strategies
- result forms
- test report.

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Audit

The activities associated with officially checking financial, quality assurance and operational records to ensure they have been kept and maintained in accordance with agreed or legislated standards and correctly record the events, processes and business of the organisation in a specified period. Includes compliance audits, financial audits, operational audits, recordkeeping audits, skills audits, system audits and quality assurance audits.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2090

Final internal and external audit reports relating to the technology and telecommunications function.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

[For audit logs, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Control.]

2091



Records documenting the planning and conduct of internal and external audits relating to the technology and telecommunications function. Includes:

Destroy 3 years after action completed

- liaison with the auditing body
- minutes of meetings
- notes taken at opening and exit interviews
- draft report
- · comments.

Authorisation

The process of delegating power to authorise an action and the seeking and granting permission to undertake a requested action.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2092

Delegations of power to agency staff to authorise administrative action relating to the technology and telecommunications function.

Destroy 7 years after delegation

expires

2093

Authorisations for administrative action supporting the technology and telecommunications function.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

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Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Entry No 2094

Description of Records

Disposal Action

Records of committees and/or subcommittees formed to consider specific matters relating to the technology and telecommunications function (eg configuration control board). Includes:

Destroy 5 years after action completed

- · documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- · reports
- · recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

2095



Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of committees which consider matters relating to the technology and telecommunications function. Includes:

Destroy when reference ceases

- agenda
- notices of minutes
- draft minutes.

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Compliance

The activities associated with complying with mandatory or optional accountability, fiscal, legal, regulatory or quality standards or requirements to which the organisation is subject. Includes compliance with legislation and with national and international standards, such as the ISO 9000 series.

For Year 2000 compliance, use general classes under:

- TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS Implementation
- TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS Planning
- TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS Reviewing (including testing)
- TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS Reporting
- TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS Application Development
- TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS Risk Management

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2096

Records documenting agency compliance with mandatory or optional standards or with statutory requirements relating to the technology and telecommunications function.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

Contracting-out

The activities involved in managing the performance of work or the provision of goods and services by an external contractor, vendor or consultant, or by using external bureau services. Includes outsourcing.

For information on records issues relating to outsourcing and contracting-out see General Disposal Authority 25.

Entry No

Description of Records

2097



Records documenting contract management relating to the technology and telecommunications function. Includes:

- minutes of meetings with main stakeholders
- performance and evaluation reports.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Control

The activities associated with creating, maintaining and evaluating control mechanisms. Includes classification, indexing, registration, forms design etc. to ensure maximum control over records and recordkeeping systems. Also includes control mechanisms for other information resources and systems.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
2098	Records documenting the development of control mechanisms (eg authenticity and version control).	Destroy 5 years after mechanism is superseded
	[For development of business rules etc for recordkeeping metadata mechanisms, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Control.]	
2099	System logs which are used to show a history of access or change to data (eg system access logs, internet access logs, system change logs and audit trails etc).	Destroy 7 years after action completed
2100	System logs which are not used to show a history of access or change to data (eg backup logs).	Destroy when reference ceases
2101	Records documenting the allocation and maintenance of metadata in electronic systems.	Destroy when reference ceases
	[For the allocation of recordkeeping metadata, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Control.]	
2102	Records documenting the maintenance of E-mail address lists (internal and external) and/or telephone lists, telephone call pick up groups etc.	Destroy when reference ceases

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Customer Service

The activities associated with the planning, monitoring and evaluation of services provided to customers by the organisation.

For Help Desk services, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Operations.

Entry No Description of Records

Records documenting the planning, monitoring and evaluation of customer services. Includes market research, feedback mechanisms and performance and response time

monitoring.

Disposal Action

Destroy 3 years after action completed

2104

2103

Records documenting the development of internal service charters for the provision of technology and telecommunications services in an agency.

Destroy 3 years after superseded

Data Administration

The activities associated with maintaining and using the data that is held in a system, either automated or manual. Includes the maintenance of data dictionaries.

For the allocation and maintenance of metadata in electronic systems, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Control.

Entry No

Description of Records

2105



Records documenting the migration of records between electronic systems and from one electronic medium to another. Includes strategies for the migration and quality assurance checks to confirm accuracy of the migration process.

[For the copying of records from one medium to another (eg paper to electronic), use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT -Data Administration.

For arranging the transfer or integration of systems following an administrative change, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Restructuring.]

2106



Records documenting the maintenance of agency-wide data dictionaries.

[For the maintenance of application specific data dictionaries, use TECHNOLOGY &

TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Application Development.]

Disposal Action

Destroy 1 year after data is either migrated again or destroyed

Destroy when superseded

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Database Management

The activities associated with the building, prototyping and testing of databases. Includes the management of user rules, passwords and monitoring usage and response times.

For the development and maintenance of database applications, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Application Development

For requests for password changes, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Operations.

For backup related issues, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Implementation.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
2107	Records documenting database management. Includes requests for changes to schemas, views and configuration management.	Destroy 7 years after action completed
2108	Ad-hoc requests for information from agency databases.	Destroy 1 year after action completed

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Disposal

The process of disposing of property no longer required by the organisation, by sale, transfer, termination of lease, auction, donation or destruction. Includes destruction or transfer to archives, and the program of activities to facilitate the orderly transfer of semi-active and inactive records from current office space into storage.

For the disposal of records in electronic systems in accordance with Records Disposal Authorities, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Disposal.

Entry No Description of Records

2109 Records documenting the

Records documenting the disposal of leased assets. Includes written notices and correspondence to and from leasing companies in relation to return of assets, handover report and notification that agency or their nominee wishes to purchase assets.

Disposal Action

Destroy 3 years after disposal of asset

2110



Records documenting the disposal of Commonwealth owned assets. Includes independent valuation, certificate verifying that work undertaken on asset was prior to valuation, written quotes, auction records and routine forms and correspondence relating to the disposal of assets.

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and correspondence relating to the disposal of assets.

[For the disposal of equipment and goods by tender, use

Tendering.]

Destroy 7 years after disposal of asset

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Evaluation

The process of determining the suitability of potential or existing programs, items of equipment, systems or services in relation to meeting the needs of the given situation. Includes systems analysis and ongoing monitoring.

Entry No 2111 Includes systems analysis and business process analysis.

Description of Records Records documenting analysis of business processes.

Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after action completed

2112 Records documenting the evaluation of potential or existing technology and telecommunications services and systems.

Destroy 7 years after action completed



Records documenting the development and issue of specifications for technology and telecommunications equipment, goods and services. Includes statement of requirements, request for proposals, expression of interest and business case.

[For Requests for Tender (RFT) and draft contract, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Tendering.

For the acquisition of equipment, goods and services by means other than tender, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Acquisition.]

Destroy 7 years after last action

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Evaluation - Continued

The process of determining the suitability of potential or existing programs, items of equipment, systems or services in relation to meeting the needs of the given situation. Includes systems analysis and ongoing monitoring.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2114

Initial evaluation of 'commercial-off-the-shelf' (COTS) products and services and whole-of-government solutions to be used in new technology or telecommunications projects (including shared system suite and endorsed suppliers). Also includes justification of decisions not to proceed with whole-of-government solutions.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

[For the process of acquiring technology and telecommunications equipment, goods and services, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Acquisition.

For the management of technology and telecommunication contracts, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Contracting-Out.

For reevaluation of existing products and services, use TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Reviewing.

For the evaluation of the non-technological aspects of an evaluation, use appropriate function eg FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT for the evaluation of a finance system and PERSONNEL for the evaluation of a personnel system.]

2115



Records documenting investigations into the feasibility of contracting out technology and telecommunication activities.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

2116



Records documenting assessments of, and input into, whole-of-Government outsourcing solutions. Includes justification of decision not to proceed with such solutions.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Implementation

The activities associated with carrying out or putting into action, plans, policies, procedures or instructions, all of which could be internally or externally driven. Includes manual or automated databases, applications or systems, but excludes the installation of equipment. Also includes monitoring to ensure that the implementation goes according to schedule and that standards are met and first aid treatment.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal ActionRetain as national

archives

2117



Records documenting the application of an agency's counter-disaster plan or business continuity plan following an incident. Includes records covering the protection and re-establishment of data and the agency backup plan.

[For the development of a counter-disaster plan covering the technology and telecommunications function, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Planning.

For the recovery of information on an ad-hoc basis, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Operations.

For the implementation of the counter-disaster plan, vital records plan and emergency destruction plan within the organisation's information resources, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Implementation.]

2118



Records documenting the implementation of plans, policies, strategies, procedures and instructions formulated to support the technology and telecommunications function. Includes monitoring implementation activities (eg regular backups) and the introduction of new equipment and software to a wide audience.

[For post implementation reviews, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Reviewing.

For the non-technological aspects of an implementation, use the appropriate function eg FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT for the implementation of a finance system and PERSONNEL for the implementation of a personnel system.]

2119



Records documenting project management of all technology and telecommunications projects.

Destroy 5 years after action completed

completed

Destroy 5 years

after action

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Inspections

The process of official examinations of facilities, equipment and items, to ensure compliance with agreed standards and objectives.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2120

Records documenting the routine inspection of technology and telecommunications assets and facilities (eg to ensure that unauthorised software or equipment is not being used). Destroy 3 years after action completed

[For formal audits, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Audit.]

Installation

Activities involved in placing equipment in position and connecting and adjusting it for use.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2121

Records documenting installation, configuration and relocation of technology and telecommunications equipment and facilities. Includes cabling from wall socket to a device and configuration of network hubs.

Destroy 2 years after action completed

[For the installation of cabling for communications networks from a network hub or PABX etc to a user wall socket or to the telecommunications provider point of entry, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT- Installation.]

2122

Records documenting configuration of corporate software.



Destroy 5 years after software is defunct and any data supported is either migrated or destroyed

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Intellectual Property

The activities involved in managing the agency's intellectual property, both published and unpublished, and the use of material held by the agency in which another party owns the intellectual property. Includes the management of copyright, design, patents and trademarks, royalties and matters of confidentiality such as trade secrets which are not available to the public under Freedom of Information (FOI) legislation.

For the establishment and general management of intellectual property, use LEGAL SERVICES - Intellectual Property.

For handling infringements of intellectual property, use LEGAL SERVICES - Infringements.

For the payment and receipt of royalties, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2123

Applications made by the agency to use portions of software developed by another agency, organisation or individual.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

[For the purchase of licences to use commercial-off-theshelf (COTS) solutions, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Acquisition.]

2124



Requests from the public and other agencies for permission to reproduce portions of agency-developed software.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

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Leasing

The activities involved in leasing items, equipment, accommodation, premises or real estate from another organisation. Includes the process of chartering.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2125

Records documenting the administration and management of leased technology and telecommunications equipment. Includes reports received from leasing companies.

Destroy 7 years after lease expires or is terminated

[For the activities associated with acquiring leased equipment, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Acquisition.

For the disposal of leased equipment, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Disposal.

For Fringe Benefit Tax reports received from a leasing company, use PERSONNEL - Salaries.

For managing financial transactions associated with the leasing, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT- Accounting or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT- Payments.]

Leasing-out

The activities involved in leasing-out items, equipment, accommodation, premises or real estate to another organisation or person for a specified period and agreed price. Includes the formal documentation setting out conditions, rights, responsibilities etc. of both parties. Also includes subleasing.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2126

Records documenting arrangements for the leasing out of agency equipment and facilities to other bodies.

Destroy 7 years after lease expires or is terminated

[For managing financial transactions associated with leasing-out activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.]

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Maintenance

The activities associated with the upkeep, repair, servicing, modification and preservation of internal/external conditions of premises, equipment, vehicles etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2127

Records documenting the maintenance and modification of technology and telecommunications assets.

Destroy 3 years after action completed

[For the rectification of minor faults by agency staff, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Operations.

For the maintenance and modification of software, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Application Development.

For system change requests, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Reviewing.]

Meetings

The activities associated with ad-hoc gatherings held to formulate, discuss, update, or resolve issues and matters pertaining to the management of the section, department, or organisation as a whole. Includes arrangements, agenda, taking of minutes etc. Excludes committee meetings.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2128



Final version of minutes and supporting documents tabled at meetings held to support the technology and telecommunications function. Includes meetings with external agencies.

Destroy 3 years after action completed

2129



Working papers documenting the conduct and administration of meetings held to support the technology and telecommunications function. Includes agenda, notices of meetings and draft minutes.

Destroy when reference ceases

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Modelling

The processes involved in designing, testing and evaluating sample model profiles of systems under analysis.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action



Development of business or technical models or prototypes used to support the technology and telecommunication function.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

[For systems analysis, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Evaluation.

For models which support the application development activity, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Application Development.]

Operations

The activities associated with keeping computer systems in effective operation on a daily basis. Includes fault reporting, help and desktop support.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2131

Records relating to help desk operations. Includes:

Destroy 1 year after action completed



- minor maintenance and advice
- technical assistance to an individual
- requests to reset passwords
- requests to recover data from backup tapes, etc

[For the repair of equipment by an external service provider, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Maintenance.

For the introduction of new equipment or software to a wider audience, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Implementation.

For the planning, monitoring and evaluation of services, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Customer Service.

For the recovery of data on a wide scale (ie after a disaster), use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Data Administration.]

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Planning

The process of formulating ways in which objectives can be achieved. Includes determination of services, needs and solutions to those needs.

For project management/implementation plans (including Year 2000 implementation plans), use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Implementation.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2132



Final version of agency-wide technology and telecommunications plans. Includes:

Destroy 5 years after plan is superseded

- System security plan
- Information system security plan
- Business continuity plan
- Forensic plan
- Information technology strategic management plan
- Access control plans
- Counter-disaster plans relating to technology and telecommunications
- Telecommunications plan

For the implementation of counter disaster plans and business continuity plans, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Implementation.]

2133

Final version of agency Year 2000 Compliance plan.

Destroy 7 years after all action contained in the plan is completed

2134



Final version of a section or business unit's technology and telecommunications plans, including state, regional or overseas office.

Destroy 3 years after plan is superseded

2135



Working papers used in developing all technology and telecommunications plans. Includes draft plans, reports analysing issues, and comments received from other areas of the agency.

Destroy 1 year after adoption of the final plan

2136

Copies of all technology and telecommunications plans.

Destroy when reference ceases

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Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No 2137

Description of Records

Disposal Action Destroy 5 years after policy is superseded

Records documenting the development and establishment of the agency's technology and telecommunications policies. Includes policy proposals, research papers, results of consultations, supporting reports and major drafts and final policy documents. Includes:

- Information system security policy
- IT security policy
- Small system security scheme policy
- Mobile phone policy

[For an agency's overall information security policy, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Policy.]

2138



Records documenting comments made on the development Destroy 1 year after of government-wide policies.

promulgation of the new policy

2139



Working papers documenting the development of all technology and telecommunication policies.

Destroy 1 year after promulgation of the new policy

2140



Copies of policy documents and supporting papers.

Destroy when reference ceases

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Privacy

The activities associated with applying the principles of privacy. Includes data protection in relation to privacy. Also includes the process of collection, handling, use and disclosure of records of a private, personal, or confidential nature to maintain that the rights of a living person (or immediate family) are secure from unauthorised disclosure or access to such information.

For direction on the disposal of records relating to data matching, use General Disposal Authority 24.

For the mechanisms to protect privacy, use TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Security.

For audit and access logs, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Control.

Entry No 2141	Description of Records Records documenting the application of Information Privacy Principles and guidelines to agency technology and telecommunication applications and systems.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after action completed
2142	Records documenting investigations into alleged breaches of privacy involving the use of technology and telecommunication applications and systems. Includes referral of those breaches to law enforcement authorities and/or the Office of the Privacy Commissioner. [For disciplinary action against staff for privacy related]	Destroy 5 years after action completed

breaches, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.]

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No **Description of Records Disposal Action** 2143 Master set of agency manuals, handbooks, directives etc Destroy 5 years detailing procedures supporting the technology and after procedures are telecommunications function. superseded [For user and technical manuals for agency developed applications, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Application Development.] 2144 Records documenting the development of agency Destroy 1 year after procedures supporting the technology and action completed telecommunications function. 2145 Copies of manuals, handbooks, directives etc. Destroy when reference ceases Operating manuals for technology and telecommunications 2146 Destroy when equipment, facilities or software not developed by the reference ceases or agency. transfer to new owner on disposal of equipment, facilities or software [For user and technical manuals developed for agencydeveloped applications, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Application Development. For distribution and implementation of procedures, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS -

Implementation.]

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Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
2147	Final copies of formal internal reports and reports made to external agencies relating to the technology and telecommunications function.	Destroy 7 years after action completed
2148 	Periodic internal reports on general administrative matters used to monitor and document recurring activities to support the technology and telecommunications function. Includes summary reports, work progress reports and production reports.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
2149	Responses to surveys by other agencies or by the central office of an agency.	Destroy 3 years after action completed
2150	Working papers documenting the development of all reports. Includes drafts and comments received.	Destroy 1 year after action completed
2151	Copies of technology and telecommunications reports.	Destroy when reference ceases

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Research

The activities involved in investigating or enquiring into a subject or area of interest in order to discover facts, principles etc. Used to support the development of projects, standards, guidelines etc and the business activities of the organisation in general. Includes following up enquiries relating to organisational programs, projects, working papers, literature searches etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2152



Records documenting detailed research carried out to support the technology and telecommunications function.

Destroy 3 years after action completed

[For systems analysis, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Application Development, TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Evaluation or TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Modelling.]

2153



Records documenting routine research carried out to support the technology and telecommunications function.

Destroy when reference ceases

Restructuring

The activities involved in the reassessment of the activities, goals and structure of an organisation. Includes consideration of the number of staff, their position descriptions, equipment, and other resources required to meet objectives.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2154

Arrangements for the transfer or integration of technology and telecommunications systems/assets etc to or from other agencies (ie after administrative change).

Destroy 7 years after last action

[For migration of information, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Data Administration.]

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Reviewing

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

Entry No **Description of Records Disposal Action** 2155 Records documenting a review of agency programs and Destroy 7 years operations supporting the technology and after action telecommunications function. Includes documents completed establishing the review, final report, action plan and identification of problems needing rectification. [For the rectification of identified problems, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Application Development.] 2156 Working papers documenting the conduct of an agency Destroy 2 years review into programs and operations supporting the after action technology and telecommunications function. completed 2157 Records documenting the development of methodologies Destroy 7 years for conducting reviews. after action completed 2158 Records documenting post implementation reviews. Destroy 7 years after action completed 2159 Records documenting testing activities where unexpected Destroy when results are found. Includes: problem has been rectified testing strategy testing plan result forms · test report. 2160 Records documenting testing activities where expected Destroy 7 years results are found. Includes: after action completed testing strategy testing plan

result formstest report.

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Reviewing - Continued

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
2161	Certificates of compliance/completion.	Destroy 7 years after action completed

Risk Management

The process involving the identification of risks, the likelihood and consequences of those risks, and the implementation of appropriate practice and procedures to treat the risks.

Entry No 2162	Description of Records Records documenting risk management relating to the technology and telecommunication function. Includes documentation covering each stage of the process, risk assessments, treatment schedules and action plans.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after next risk assessment
2163	Technology and telecommunications risk register.	Destroy 7 years after next risk assessment

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Security

The activities associated with measures taken to protect people, premises, equipment or information from accidental or intentional damage or from unauthorised access. Includes the security classification of personnel and criminal record checks.

For the security classification and appropriate protection of data, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Security.

For physical security (including control of access to computer rooms etc), use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Security.

For the protection of personal information in technology and telecommunication systems, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Privacy.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2164



Records documenting the implementation of security arrangements for technology and telecommunications systems. Includes authentication, encryption, reports on security leaks, investigation into alleged security breaches and referral of those breaches to law enforcement authorities.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

[For requests for changes to passwords etc, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Operations.

For disciplinary action against staff for security related breaches, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.]

2165



Requests for advice and approval from other organisations (eg Defence Signals Directorate) about technology and telecommunication security issues. Includes requests for the issue of cryptovariables etc.

Destroy 7 years after approval ceases

2166



Records documenting arrangements for the sanitisation of technology equipment prior to disposal.

Destroy 1 year after action completed

2167



Requests for approval to connect equipment to agency networks, either on agency premises or via dial-up communications links.

Destroy 3 years after action completed

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Security - Continued

The activities associated with measures taken to protect people, premises, equipment or information from accidental or intentional damage or from unauthorised access. Includes the security classification of personnel and criminal record checks.

For the security classification and appropriate protection of data, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Security.

For physical security (including control of access to computer rooms etc), use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Security.

For the protection of personal information in technology and telecommunication systems, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Privacy.

Entry No Description of Records

2168



Records documenting the control of removable media in secure systems. Includes inventory of removable items, media musters and register of media import and export (eg floppy disks and the removal of hard disks).

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after action completed



Records documenting the oversight of projects by a 'security accreditation authority' and appropriate certifying authorities. Includes appointment of members to the authorities.

Destroy 7 years after action completed

Standards

The process of implementing industry or organisational benchmarks for services and processes to enhance the quality and efficiency of the organisation.

For compliance with standards (except where other activities apply), use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Compliance.

Entry No

2170

Description of Records

Records documenting the implementation of industry and agency standards to support the technology and

telecommunications function.

Disposal Action

Destroy 7 years after action completed

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Tendering

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No 2171	Description of Records Records documenting the development and issue of tender documentation. Includes Statement of Requirements, Request for Proposals, Expression of Interest, Request for Tender (RFT) and draft contract.	Disposal Action Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
	[For statements of requirements, requests for proposals and expressions of interests, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNCATIONS - Acquisition.]	
2172	Evaluation of tenders received against selection criteria. Includes records documenting arrangements for carrying out the evaluation process, evaluation report, recommendations, final report and public notices.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
2173	Records documenting post-offer negotiations and due diligence checks.	Destroy 7 years after tender process completed
2174	Records of unsuccessful tenders or a tender process where there is no suitable bidder, or where the tender process has been discontinued. Includes submissions, notification of outcome and reports on debriefing sessions.	Destroy 2 years after tender process completed or decision made not to continue with the tender
2175	Tender register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry
2176	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Western Australia.	Destroy 20 years after completion or other termination of contract

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Tendering - Continued

The activities involved in receiving and assessing tenders, of making offers and finalising by contract arrangements for the supply, sale or purchase of goods and services.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
2177 	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: Victoria and South Australia.	Destroy 15 years after completion or other termination of contract
2178	Signed contracts under seal resulting from tenders and supporting records: New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory.	Destroy 12 years after completion or other termination of contract
2179	Signed simple contracts and agreements resulting from tenders and supporting records.	Destroy 7 years after completion or other termination of contract
2180	Contract register.	Destroy 7 years after last entry

The function of establishing rapport with the community and raising and maintaining the organisation's broad public profile. Includes marketing, advertising, media liaison, exhibitions, celebrations, ceremonies, speeches, official representation at functions and participation in community activities. Also includes relationships with professional bodies and industry, the management of customer services, handling reactions to those services, customer consultation and feedback.

Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Addresses (presentations)

The activity of giving addresses for training, professional, community relations or sales purposes. Includes speeches and multi-media presentations.

For papers presented by staff at conferences supporting the community relations function, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Conferences.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1002

Final version of addresses made by the portfolio Minister or

Retain as national

senior agency officers at major public occasions.

archives

[For addresses delivered by the portfolio Minister or senior agency officers at government occasions, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Addresses.]

Celebrations

The activities associated with arranging and managing festivities to honour a particular event. For addresses made at celebrations, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Addresses.

For managing financial transactions supporting celebrations activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1006

Programs, invitations, guest lists and photographs relating to celebratory festivities held to honour an event of major importance to an agency eg a significant anniversary.

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Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Ceremonies

The activities associated with arranging and managing a formal act performed for a special occasion.

For addresses made at ceremonies, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Addresses.

For managing financial transactions supporting ceremonies, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1009



Programs, invitations, guest lists and photographs relating to ceremonies held to mark a special occasion eg the opening of a building or major facility, or the conferring of special community awards promoted by the agency. Retain as national archives

Donations

The activities associated with managing money, items, artefacts or property donated to the organisation, or by the organisation and or its staff to charities etc. Includes managing unsolicited donations.

This function/activity set should not be used by agencies where public donations provide major support for core functions eg National Library of Australia and the National Museum of Australia. In these instances coverage should be included in the agency's own functional Records Disposal Authority.

For managing financial transactions associated with donations received or made by the agency, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

For the general management of monetary donations received or given by the agency, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Donations.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1024

Records documenting donations of money and items, artefacts or property that are of long-term value or ongoing benefit to the nation.

Retain as national archives

benefit to the nation

The function of establishing rapport with the community and raising and maintaining the organisation's broad public profile. Includes marketing, advertising, media liaison, exhibitions, celebrations, ceremonies, speeches, official representation at functions and participation in community activities. Also includes relationships with professional bodies and industry, the management of customer services, handling reactions to those services, customer consultation and feedback.

Note: Where an agency has specific relationships with professional associations and public clients supporting their core functions these should be covered in the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Media Relations

The activities associated with establishing a relationship between the media and the organisation. Includes cultivating media contacts, coordinating access to the media, authorising and issuing press releases and briefings, and organising media interviews.

Entry No Description of Records

1043 Master set of agency media releases.

Disposal ActionRetain as national archives



Classes for retention as national archives ESTABLISHMENT

The function of establishing and changing the organisational structure. Including moving employees from one agency to another and reducing and increasing an agency's staffing levels. Also includes internal reorganisations to meet agency goals.

Note: Before using this Authority, agencies that employ staff under legislation other than the Public Service Act 1999 should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations from the Public Service Act. In cases where the variations differ greatly the Administrative Functions Disposal Authority is not applicable and should not be used. Coverage in such circumstances must be included under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Restructuring

The activities involved in the reassessment of the activities, goals and structure of an organisation. Includes consideration of the number of staff, their position descriptions, equipment, and other resources required to meet objectives.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1206

Agency-wide organisational charts produced after major restructure eg a machinery of government change or an extensive internal restructure held by the area of the agency responsible for the establishment function.



The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Addresses (presentations)

The activity of giving addresses for training, professional, community relations or sales purposes. Includes speeches and multi-media presentations.

Entry No Desci

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1342

Final versions of addresses presented by portfolio Ministers and agency heads at government occasions.

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[For addresses delivered by portfolio Ministers at public occasions, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Addresses.]



The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

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Advice

The activities associated with offering opinions by or to the organisation as to an action or judgement. Includes the process of advising.

For formal submissions made by the agency on government matters, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

For registers tracking the handling of Cabinet documents, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Security.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1346

Working papers documenting the development of Cabinet memorandums and Cabinet discussion papers. Includes drafts.

Retain as national archives

1347



Advice provided by the agency to the portfolio Minister and government agencies on controversial public issues with farreaching social, economic and international implications relating to the functional responsibilities of the agency. Includes advice provided in the form of:

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- briefing notes (includes background briefs and Question Time Briefs)
- minutes providing advice to the Minister
- Ministerial statements
- Government responses to Inquiry recommendations
- policy papers (White and Green papers)
- minutes providing co-ordination comments
- advice to other agencies.



Working papers documenting the development of advice provided by the agency to the portfolio Minister and government agencies on controversial public issues with farreaching social, economic and international implications relating to the functional responsibilities of the agency.

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

This function is NOT designed to cover regular ongoing contact between government agencies, which should be classified under the relevant function.

Agreements

The processes associated with the establishment, maintenance, review and negotiation of agreements.

Agencies must use their own Records Disposal Authorities for agreements which relate to their core functions.

For agreements relating to joint ventures, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Joint Ventures.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1354

Final version of significant agreements with government

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bodies. Includes:

- policies and procedures applying to the whole of government
- changes to the performance of statutory functions
- those with implications for major liabilities or obligations for the agency.



1355

Records relating to the negotiations, establishment, maintenance and review of significant agreements.

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

This function is NOT designed to cover regular ongoing contact between government agencies, which should be classified under the relevant function.

Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Agencies must use their own Records Disposal Authorities for committees which relate to their core functions.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1358

Records of external high level inter-government (both State/Territory and overseas) or inter-agency committees where the agency provides the Secretariat, is the Commonwealth's main representative, or plays a significant role. Includes:

- documents establishing the committee
- agendas
- minutes
- reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing and discussion papers.

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

This function is NOT designed to cover regular ongoing contact between government agencies, which should be classified under the relevant function.

Inquiries

The activities associated with liaising with bodies carrying out inquiries, and participating in them. Inquiries are investigations carried out by persons or bodies who have been empowered to inquire and report on a subject, such as Royal Commissions, Parliamentary and Ombudsman's inquiries. Includes the organisation's participation in the inquiry by providing evidence in the form of records, submissions or staff.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1369

Records documenting the agency's contribution and involvement in an inquiry directly relating to its functions. Includes:

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- · agency statements and submissions
- responses to final reports
- transcripts of oral evidence given by agency officers.

1370



Working papers documenting the agency's contribution and involvement in an inquiry directly relating to its functions.

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

This function is NOT designed to cover regular ongoing contact between government agencies, which should be classified under the relevant function.

Joint Ventures

The activities involved in managing joint operations between departments, either within the organisation or with other organisations, or with the government, where there is a contract, joint contribution of funds and/or time. Also includes private sector ventures with public sector organisations, and co-research or collaboration between inter-departmental units, departments or organisations.

Agencies must use their own Records Disposal Authority for joint venture operations which relate to their core functions.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1374



Final signed version of joint venture agreements or contracts of major significance to the agency and the Commonwealth. Includes:

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- policies and procedures applying to the whole of government
- changes to the performance of statutory functions
- those with implications for major liabilities or obligations for the agency.

1375



Working papers relating to the establishment and negotiations and management of joint venture agreements of major significance.

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

This function is NOT designed to cover regular ongoing contact between government agencies, which should be classified under the relevant function.

Legislation

The process of making laws. Includes Local, State, Commonwealth and overseas Acts, Bills and subsections of Acts, and amendments to each.

For records documenting the development of the legislative requirements, use STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT - Legislation.

For advice provided to Cabinet, the portfolio Minister and other government agencies on proposed legislation, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Advice.

For submissions relating to legislative proposals to the portfolio Minister and to Cabinet, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

For legal advice received on the interpretation of legislation and legislation proposals, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice.

Entry No Description of Records

1378

Records documenting the preparation and passage of an agency's legislation through Parliament. Includes:

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- - · preliminary drafting instructions
 - proposed bills
 - records documenting consultation with relevant government agencies
 - preparation of the Explanatory Memorandum
 - Second Reading Speech.

Media Relations

The activities associated with establishing a relationship between the media and the organisation. Includes cultivating media contacts, coordinating access to the media, authorising and issuing press releases and briefings, and organising media interviews.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1379

Master set of agency produced media releases in the portfolio Minister's name and transcripts of interviews.

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

This function is NOT designed to cover regular ongoing contact between government agencies, which should be classified under the relevant function.

Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

For the provision of advice to government, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Advice.

For agency contributions to government inquiries, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Inquiries.

For agency submissions to Cabinet, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1391	Final version of unpublished formal reports made on the	Retain as national
	agency's core functions.	archives
	IFor the Annual Report drafting process, use	

[For the Annual Report drafting process, use PUBLICATION - Drafting.

For published reports (eg Annual Reports), use PUBLICATION - Planning and PUBLICATION - Production.

For submission of the agency's Annual Report to the portfolio Minister, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS -Compliance.]

1392 Working papers documenting the development of formal Retain as national reports made on the agency's core functions archives

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

This function is NOT designed to cover regular ongoing contact between government agencies, which should be classified under the relevant function.

Representations

The activities involved in preparing responses to questions raised in Parliament by Members of Parliament on behalf of their constituents. Also includes community-based representations and representations directed to the Minister seeking a formal response.

For registers of Ministerial correspondence, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Control.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1398



Records documenting responses to approaches received by the minister ('Ministerials') from peak industry bodies, leading community interest groups, recognised influential stakeholders and individuals concerning issues of a contentious nature which are of major significance to the agency and/or the community at large. Includes:

- copies of letters received
- draft responses
- minutes providing background details for the Minister
- requests from the Minister's office for changes
- · final response.

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

This function is NOT designed to cover regular ongoing contact between government agencies, which should be classified under the relevant function.

Submissions

The preparation and submission of a formal statement (eg report, statistics, etc) supporting a case or opinion held by the organisation which is submitted to another organisation, or within the organisation, for the purpose of either gain or support.

For registers tracking the handling of Cabinet documents, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Security.

Entry No 1409	Description of Records Working papers documenting the development of Cabinet submissions. Includes background and briefing material, drafts and comments received.	Disposal Action Retain as national archives
1410	Submissions (other than Cabinet submissions) made to the Prime Minister, Minister, and government bodies on issues directly relating to the agency's functions, concerning controversial issues with far reaching social, economic and international implications relating to the functional responsibilities of the agency.	Retain as national archives
1411	Working papers documenting the development of submissions (other than Cabinet submissions) relating to controversial issues.	Retain as national archives

The function of administering the formal relationship between the organisation and those processes of government not covered by general administrative or agency core functions. Includes the organisation's relationship with Ministers and Members of Parliament and the political processes of Government; liaison with bodies carrying out investigations and participating in formal inquiries and investigations such as Royal Commissions, and inquiries by Parliamentary Committees and the Ombudsman; and relationships with Local, State, or overseas governments.

This function is NOT designed to cover regular ongoing contact between government agencies, which should be classified under the relevant function.

Visits

The activities involved in arranging visits by other organisations, the public and students to the organisation, with a view to inform, educate or promote the services, operation and role of the organisation. Includes arranging visits by staff to other organisations.

For briefings for visits, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Advice.

For visits to the agency by public and non-government visitors, use COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Visits.

For security arrangements made for the visits of government representatives, including the Minister, and delegations, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Security.

Entry No	Description of Records	Disposal Action
1415	Records documenting visits to the agency by royalty and	Retain as national
	Heads of State. Includes visitor books signed by such	archives
	dignitaries	

Classes for retention as national archives INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace. Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Agreements

1419

1422

The processes associated with the establishment, maintenance, review and negotiation of agreements.

For Certified Agreements made under the Workplace Relations Act 1996, use INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS - Enterprise Bargaining.

For Australian Workplace Agreements with individual employees, use PERSONNEL - Cases.

Entry No Description of Records

Records documenting cases covering awards and agreements heard or certified by the central arbitration or

agreements heard or certified by the central arbitration or determining body (eg. Australian Industrial Relations Commission or former Public Service Arbitrator) where the agency is a major participant in negotiations. Includes arbitrated variations and consent variations to an award.

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Appeals (decisions)

The activities involved in the process of appeals against decisions by application to a higher authority.

Entry No Description of Records

Records documenting appeals made to the central arbitration or determining body (eg the Australian Industrial

Relations Commission or the former Public Service

Arbitrator) against a decision or an order where the agency

is a major participant in negotiations.

Disposal Action



Classes for retention as national archives INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace. Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Enterprise Bargaining

The process where employees negotiate increased pay or other benefits with their employers in exchange for the implementation of working arrangements that improve the performance of the organisation. Includes the activities associated with establishing and implementing an enterprise agreement.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1430

Records documenting negotiation, establishment and implementation of Certified Agreements made under the terms of the Workplace Relations Act 1996. Includes:

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- negotiations with staff and union representatives
- records documenting the conduct of the staff ballot
- draft agreement
- liaison with the Commonwealth's lead agency
- Ministerial approval
- records to support lodgement with the Australian Industrial Registry
- certified copy of final agreement
- minutes of Workplace Relations Committee meetings considering issues relating to the development of certified agreements.

[For Australian Workplace Agreements with an individual employee, use PERSONNEL - Agreements.]

1431



Records documenting negotiations, establishment and implementation of other industrial relations agency-wide agreements (eg Enterprise Bargaining Agreements made under the Industrial Relations Act 1988).

Classes for retention as national archives INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

The function of establishing formal relations with the organisation's employees and their representatives to achieve a harmonious workplace. Includes negotiations conducted to obtain determinations, agreements or awards, industrial disputes settled within the organisation or by an external arbitrator and reports of the state of industrial relations within an organisation.

Industrial Action

The activities associated with dealing with a failure or refusal to attend or perform work in association with a dispute between management and workers. Includes lock-outs, strikes etc.

For advice on legal aspects of managing an industrial action, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice.

For the management of any variation in employees' pay as a result of an industrial action, use PERSONNEL - Salaries.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1433



Records documenting the management of industrial action (ie strikes, bans, lockouts, go-slows, work-to-rule) of a significant nature eg involving large numbers of agency staff, where the action has a major affect on the provision of services to the community or if it has service-wide implications. Includes:

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- notification to Minister
- liaison with the relevant lead agency
- discussions/ meetings and conferences between parties
- hearings with the Australian Industrial Relations Commission (Public Service Arbitrator)
- hearings before the Federal Court and predecessor bodies
- communications with staff.

Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1446



Records documenting the development and establishment of the agency's industrial relations policies. Includes:

- · policy proposals
- research papers
- · results of consultations
- supporting reports
- major drafts
- final policy documents.

The function of managing the organisation's information resources. Includes creating, capturing, registering, classifying, indexing, storing, retrieving and disposing of records and developing strategies to manage records. Also includes the acquisition, control and disposal of library and other information products, items kept for reference purposes and the provision of services to internal and external customers, based on information resources. Data administration, archival records and the handling of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are also classified under this keyword.

Cases

This activity descriptor should be used where there is a need to keep a number of activities together on one file, for legislative or operational reasons. Case files relate to particular incidents, persons, organisations or clients.

For the application of the privacy principles to an agency's recordkeeping practices and development of access restrictions, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Privacy.

For registers of cases, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Control.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1478



Records documenting requests for public access to records and documents under the FOI Act, the Privacy Act, the Archives Act and other legislation specific to the agency that:

- set a precedent
- lead to a change of policy
- relate to issues of national significance
- relate to issues of public controversy
- result in appeals to the Administrative Appeals Tribunal or the Federal or High Court.

The function of managing the organisation's information resources. Includes creating, capturing, registering, classifying, indexing, storing, retrieving and disposing of records and developing strategies to manage records. Also includes the acquisition, control and disposal of library and other information products, items kept for reference purposes and the provision of services to internal and external customers, based on information resources. Data administration, archival records and the handling of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are also classified under this keyword.

Control

The activities associated with creating, maintaining and evaluating control mechanisms. Includes classification, indexing, registration, forms design etc. to ensure maximum control over records and recordkeeping systems. Also includes control mechanisms for other information resources and systems.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1490

Master control records for agency recordkeeping systems (both paper and electronic) for central, state, local, and overseas area offices. Includes:

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- mandatory elements listed in National Archives'
 Recordkeeping Metadata Standards for Commonwealth Agencies
- registers of inwards/outwards correspondence (including Ministerial correspondence)
- registers and indexes giving details of control numbers, titles, date, disposal details
- file movement cards (if they also constitute the main control record or have been used to record disposal detail)
- list of records destroyed, if master control records are not annotated
- registers of case files (eg personnel and compensation case files registers.)

1493



Master copy of file classification systems or an agency's authorised business classification schemes (currently created using the methodology of the Australian Standard AS 4390–1996 Records Management) and abbreviations used in paper and electronic systems.

Retain as national archives

1494

Records documenting the creation, maintenance and evaluation of an agency record titling thesauruses. Includes master copy of the thesaurus.

Retain as national archives

[For agency documentation of its functional analysis, the development of its business classification scheme and the recordkeeping requirements necessary for the creation of an agency Records Disposal Authority and functional thesaurus, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Policy.]

The function of managing the organisation's information resources. Includes creating, capturing, registering, classifying, indexing, storing, retrieving and disposing of records and developing strategies to manage records. Also includes the acquisition, control and disposal of library and other information products, items kept for reference purposes and the provision of services to internal and external customers, based on information resources. Data administration, archival records and the handling of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are also classified under this keyword.

Control - Continued

The activities associated with creating, maintaining and evaluating control mechanisms. Includes classification, indexing, registration, forms design etc. to ensure maximum control over records and recordkeeping systems. Also includes control mechanisms for other information resources and systems.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1495

Business rules and configuration settings for agency metadata. Includes developmental records and requests for changes. Retain as national archives

[For the application, allocation and maintenance of the metadata in electronic systems, other than those covered by the Information Management function, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Control.]

Disposal

The process of disposing of property no longer required by the organisation, by sale, transfer, termination of lease, auction, donation or destruction. Includes destruction or transfer to archives, and the program of activities to facilitate the orderly transfer of semi-active and inactive records from current office space into storage.

For the development of Records Disposal Authorities specific to the operations of an agency, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Policy.

Entry No.

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1505

Records documenting arrangement for the transfer of ownership of records under archives legislation, (currently Section 24 (2) (b) of the Archives Act 1983), following the corporatisation and privatisation of an agency, or part of an agency. Includes liaison with the National Archives.

The function of managing the organisation's information resources. Includes creating, capturing, registering, classifying, indexing, storing, retrieving and disposing of records and developing strategies to manage records. Also includes the acquisition, control and disposal of library and other information products, items kept for reference purposes and the provision of services to internal and external customers, based on information resources. Data administration, archival records and the handling of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are also classified under this keyword.

Implementation

The activities associated with carrying out or putting into action, plans, policies, procedures or instructions, all of which could be internally or externally driven. Includes manual or automated databases, applications or systems, but excludes the installation of equipment. Also includes monitoring to ensure that the implementation goes according to schedule and that standards are met and first aid treatment.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1513



Records documenting the implementation of vital records plans and counter-disaster plans after disasters such as fire or floods, and implementation of emergency destruction plans covering the organisation's information resources. Includes a copy of current plan implemented for the disaster recovery process.

[For the development of the counter-disaster plan, vital records plan, and other plans relating to the information management function, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Planning.]

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Procedures

Standard methods of operating laid down by an organisation according to formulated policy.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1536

Master copy of recordkeeping rules/guidelines of the

agency.

Retain as national archives

[For recordkeeping requirements data, use INFORMATION

MANAGEMENT - Policy.]

The function of managing the organisation's information resources. Includes creating, capturing, registering, classifying, indexing, storing, retrieving and disposing of records and developing strategies to manage records. Also includes the acquisition, control and disposal of library and other information products, items kept for reference purposes and the provision of services to internal and external customers, based on information resources. Data administration, archival records and the handling of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are also classified under this keyword.

Security

The activities associated with measures taken to protect people, premises, equipment or information from accidental or intentional damage or from unauthorised access. Includes the security classification of personnel and criminal record checks.

For breaches of privacy of information, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Privacy.

Entry No

Description of Records

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1551

Records documenting major security breaches where classified records and information have been removed from official custody and passed to a third party. Includes referral to law enforcement authorities.

[For disciplinary action against staff for security related breaches involving records and information, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.]

Classes for retention as national archives LEGAL SERVICES

The function of providing legal services to the organisation. Includes the interpretation and provision of advice to the organisation regarding legal matters, the drawing up of legal agreements and the handling of legal actions and disputes. Also includes legal advice received from in-house consultants and external sources.

Advice

The activities associated with offering opinions by or to the organisation as to an action or judgement. Includes the process of advising.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1567

Records documenting advice received from an internal or external legal service provider relating to:

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- Cabinet mattersinternational law
- national security
- agency-wide industrial issues
- interpretation of an agency's own legislation
- proposal for new or amended agency legislation.

Includes instructions to the provider, records of ongoing discussions, revisions of instructions and drafts.

[For advice given on claims, infringements, inquiries, intellectual property and litigation, use these activities attached to LEGAL SERVICES.]

Litigation

The activities involved in managing lawsuits or legal proceedings between the agency and other parties in a court or other tribunal. Includes briefs for counsel; copies of documents required by or lodged with a court; consultation with the Attorney-General's Department and other agencies; and records documenting compliance with court instructions eg subpoenas and discovery orders.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1585

Records documenting litigation matters where legal precedents are set.

Classes for retention as national archives PERSONNEL

The function of managing all employees in the organisation employed under the Public Service Act 1999 and previous legislation and volunteer workers. Includes review of actions, overtime, salaries, superannuation and working hours for individuals.

Note: Before using this authority agencies that employ staff under legislation other than the Public Service Act 1999 should check their own enabling legislation and other regulatory directives for major variations from the Public Service Act in scope and conditions of employment. In cases where the variations differ greatly the Administrative Functions Disposal Authority is not applicable and should not be used. Coverage in such circumstances must be included under the agency's own Records Disposal Authority.

Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1740



Records documenting the development and establishment of the agency's personnel policies. Includes:

- · policy proposals
- · research papers
- results of consultations
- supporting reports
- major drafts
- final policy documents.

The function of managing land and working, storage, or living space within premises, and of acquiring, constructing, fitting-out, managing, maintaining, protecting and disposing of premises. Includes buildings and land allotments either owned, rented, or leased by the organisation. Also includes the removal of pollutants and waste. This function also covers properties owned by the Commonwealth or Commonwealth institutions which have national significance including natural, historic and indigenous significance and are listed in the Register of the National Estate, by the World Heritage Commission, classified by the National Trusts or on State heritage listings.

Note: This function should not be used by agencies for the records covering the management of specialised buildings ie buildings that have been designed for a specific purpose or have unique design features eg Lucas Heights Nuclear Reactor Building or Mt Stromlo Observatory. In these cases specific coverage should be included in such agency's own functional disposal authority.

Acquisition

The process of gaining ownership or use of property and other items or the provision of services required in the conduct of business through purchase or requisitions.

For submissions to Cabinet relating to the acquisition of property, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

For legal advice and any litigation resulting from compulsory acquisition of property, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice and LEGAL SERVICES - Litigation.

For the acquisition of property through a tendering process, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Tendering.

For the acquisition of property through an agreement, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Agreements.

For asset registers used to record property details, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Asset Register.

For managing financial transactions supporting acquisition activities, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Accounting and/or FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Payments.

Entry No Description of Records

1782

Records documenting the acquisition of properties of national significance (see functional scope note) including compulsory acquisitions. Includes:

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- investigations into and reports on the property
- environmental impact assessments
- budgetary estimates
- cost benefit analyses.

The function of managing land and working, storage, or living space within premises, and of acquiring, constructing, fitting-out, managing, maintaining, protecting and disposing of premises. Includes buildings and land allotments either owned, rented, or leased by the organisation. Also includes the removal of pollutants and waste. This function also covers properties owned by the Commonwealth or Commonwealth institutions which have national significance including natural, historic and indigenous significance and are listed in the Register of the National Estate, by the World Heritage Commission, classified by the National Trusts or on State heritage listings.

Note: This function should not be used by agencies for the records covering the management of specialised buildings ie buildings that have been designed for a specific purpose or have unique design features eg Lucas Heights Nuclear Reactor Building or Mt Stromlo Observatory. In these cases specific coverage should be included in such agency's own functional disposal authority.

Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1802

Records of committees formed to consider the management of properties of national significance (see functional scope note). Includes:

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- · documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- · reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

Includes both internal and external committees.

The function of managing land and working, storage, or living space within premises, and of acquiring, constructing, fitting-out, managing, maintaining, protecting and disposing of premises. Includes buildings and land allotments either owned, rented, or leased by the organisation. Also includes the removal of pollutants and waste. This function also covers properties owned by the Commonwealth or Commonwealth institutions which have national significance including natural, historic and indigenous significance and are listed in the Register of the National Estate, by the World Heritage Commission, classified by the National Trusts or on State heritage listings.

Note: This function should not be used by agencies for the records covering the management of specialised buildings ie buildings that have been designed for a specific purpose or have unique design features eg Lucas Heights Nuclear Reactor Building or Mt Stromlo Observatory. In these cases specific coverage should be included in such agency's own functional disposal authority.

Conservation

The activities involved in the preservation, protection, maintenance, restoration and enhancement of properties, including buildings and land, and information resources and artefacts.

For maintenance activities, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Maintenance.

For environmental audits, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Audits.

Entry No 1806	Description of Records Records documenting the activities involved in the preservation, protection, maintenance, restoration and enhancement of properties of national significance (see functional scope note).	Disposal Action Retain as national archives
1808	Records documenting the restoration of contaminated land.	Retain as national archives

[For inspection to identify the type of contamination, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Inspection.]

The function of managing land and working, storage, or living space within premises, and of acquiring, constructing, fitting-out, managing, maintaining, protecting and disposing of premises. Includes buildings and land allotments either owned, rented, or leased by the organisation. Also includes the removal of pollutants and waste. This function also covers properties owned by the Commonwealth or Commonwealth institutions which have national significance including natural, historic and indigenous significance and are listed in the Register of the National Estate, by the World Heritage Commission, classified by the National Trusts or on State heritage listings.

Note: This function should not be used by agencies for the records covering the management of specialised buildings ie buildings that have been designed for a specific purpose or have unique design features eg Lucas Heights Nuclear Reactor Building or Mt Stromlo Observatory. In these cases specific coverage should be included in such agency's own functional disposal authority.

Construction

The process of making or building something.

For tendering of work to support construction activities, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Tendering.

For managing the performance of contracted-out services to support the construction process, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Contracting-out.

For the planning of construction programs, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Planning.

For submissions to Cabinet and the Parliamentary Works Committee seeking support for construction projects, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

Entry No Desc

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1809

Records documenting construction activities carried out on properties of national significance (see functional scope note). Includes:

- records of consultations (eg with owners and local authorities)
- specifications
- building plans
- project management records.

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Disposal

The process of disposing of property no longer required by the organisation, by sale, transfer, termination of lease, auction, donation or destruction. Includes destruction or transfer to archives, and the program of activities to facilitate the orderly transfer of semi-active and inactive records from current office space into storage.

For the disposal of property through a tendering process, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Tendering.

For the disposal of property through an agreement, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Agreements.

Entry No

1814

Description of Records

Disposal Action

Records documenting the disposal of properties of national significance (see functional scope note). Includes:

Retain as national archives

- · assessments and investigations
- valuation certificates
- details of preparation undertaken before disposal ('making good').

Fit-outs

The process of establishing or refurbishing a workplace. Includes painting, floor coverings, furnishings, furniture, partitions/walls fittings and equipment.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1820

Records documenting the fit-outs of properties of national significance (see functional scope note). Includes justification, notification of intent and assessment of obligations regarding heritage properties.

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Implementation

The activities associated with carrying out or putting into action, plans, policies, procedures or instructions, all of which could be internally or externally driven. Includes manual or automated databases, applications or systems, but excludes the installation of equipment. Also includes monitoring to ensure that the implementation goes according to schedule and that standards are met and first aid treatment.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1822



Records documenting the implementation of counterdisaster plans after disasters such as fire and floods to property of national significance (see functional scope note). Includes a copy of the plan implemented in the disaster recovery process.



The function of managing land and working, storage, or living space within premises, and of acquiring, constructing, fitting-out, managing, maintaining, protecting and disposing of premises. Includes buildings and land allotments either owned, rented, or leased by the organisation. Also includes the removal of pollutants and waste. This function also covers properties owned by the Commonwealth or Commonwealth institutions which have national significance including natural, historic and indigenous significance and are listed in the Register of the National Estate, by the World Heritage Commission, classified by the National Trusts or on State heritage listings.

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Maintenance

The activities associated with the upkeep, repair, servicing, modification and preservation of internal/external conditions of premises, equipment, vehicles etc.

For tendering cleaning services and other contracted-out services for the maintenance of property, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Tendering.

For the management of contracting-out maintenance services, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Contracting-out.

For planning maintenance programs, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Planning.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1836

Records documenting repairs made to properties of national significance (see functional scope note) after a disaster eg fire, floods etc. Retain as national archives

[For the implementation of a counter-disaster plan, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Implementation.

For construction work carried out after a disaster, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Construction.

For fit-outs carried out after a disaster, use PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Fit-outs.]

Planning

The process of formulating ways in which objectives can be achieved. Includes determination of services, needs and solutions to those needs.

For diagrams and drawings used to support the property management function, use the appropriate activity.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1848

Final version of plans to support the management of properties of national significance (see functional scope

Retain as national archives

note).

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The function of managing land and working, storage, or living space within premises, and of acquiring, constructing, fitting-out, managing, maintaining, protecting and disposing of premises. Includes buildings and land allotments either owned, rented, or leased by the organisation. Also includes the removal of pollutants and waste. This function also covers properties owned by the Commonwealth or Commonwealth institutions which have national significance including natural. historic and indigenous significance and are listed in the Register of the National Estate, by the World Heritage Commission, classified by the National Trusts or on State heritage listings.

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Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1860

Final versions of formal internal reports and reports made to external agencies on properties of national significance (see functional scope note).

Retain as national archives



Reviewing

The activities involved in re-evaluating or re-examining products, processes, procedures, standards and systems. Includes recommendations and advice resulting from these activities.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1866

Records documenting the review of programs and operations impacting on the management of properties of national significance (see functional scope note). Includes documents establishing the review, final report and action plan.

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Security

The activities associated with measures taken to protect people, premises, equipment or information from accidental or intentional damage or from unauthorised access. Includes the security classification of personnel and criminal record checks.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

 Records documenting major security breaches or incidents (eg which result in the laying of charges, or where sabotage is strongly suspected). Includes:

Retain as national archives

- break-ins
- unauthorised access or entry/trespass
- · intrusions into restricted areas
- terrorism
- intentional damage
- bomb threats
- fires
- records of investigations
- · liaison with law-enforcement agencies.

[For disciplinary action resulting from a breach involving APS employees, use PERSONNEL - Discipline.

For breaches involving information, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Security.

For breaches involving equipment, use EQUIPMENT & STORES - Security.

For breaches involving technology, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Security.]

Classes for retention as national archives PUBLICATION

The function of having works, irrespective of format, issued for sale or distribution internally or to the public. Includes drafting, manual or electronic production (design, layout, typesetting, printing etc.), marketing and supply of publications by the organisation. Includes external publications (such as technical papers, issues papers, articles for professional journals and reports) and leaflets which aim to promote the services and public image of the organisation; and internal publications (such as newsletters, circulars, procedure manuals etc.), which are not produced for public relations reasons. Also includes multi media publications, CD-ROM and online information services.

Production

The process involved in producing material into an end result or output, e.g. a product or publication. Includes design, layout, typesetting, desktop publishing, printing, binding etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

1931

Master set of agency publications produced before 1968 (ie before the commencement of legal deposit under the Copyright Act 1968).

Retain as national

archives

[For the disposal of duplicate agency publications produced before 1968, use PUBLICATIONS - Disposal.]

1933

Publications produced only in an electronic format on an agency's public website.

Retain as national archives (1) capture in agency's electronic recordkeeping system, and (2) transfer to National Library's Pandora

project.

1934

1935

Master copy of agency-produced films.

Retain as national

archives

Snapshot of agency's public website taken in accordance with National Archives policy on archiving websites.

Retain as national archives

[For carrying out a risk analysis to determine the timing of taking a snapshot of an agency's website, use PUBLICATIONS - Risk Management

For system logs recording changes to websites and intranet site, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Control.]

Classes for retention as national archives STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The function of applying broad systematic management planning for the organisation. Includes the activities involved with the development, monitoring and reviewing of business plans, strategic plans, corporate plans, and other long-term organisational strategies. Also includes the development of the corporate mission, objectives, continuous improvement processes, quality assurance and certification, and the formulation and amendment of legislation which provides the legislative basis for the organisation.

Committees

The activities associated with the management of committees and task forces. Includes the committee's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, agendas etc.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2026



Records documenting high-level corporate committees with overall responsibility for making major decisions in the area of agency policy and agency corporate planning (eg executive management boards). Includes:

- · documents establishing the committee
- final versions of minutes
- reports
- recommendations
- supporting documents such as briefing papers and discussion papers.

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The function of applying broad systematic management planning for the organisation. Includes the activities involved with the development, monitoring and reviewing of business plans, strategic plans, corporate plans, and other long-term organisational strategies. Also includes the development of the corporate mission, objectives, continuous improvement processes, quality assurance and certification, and the formulation and amendment of legislation which provides the legislative basis for the organisation.

Legislation

The process of making laws. Includes Local, State, Commonwealth and overseas Acts, Bills and subsections of Acts, and amendments to each.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal ActionRetain as national

archives

2039



Records documenting the development of proposals for new legislation and amendments to existing legislation administered by the agency. Includes submissions prepared for the agency's executive or corporate management board.

[For submissions to the portfolio Minister and to Cabinet relating to legislative proposals, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Submissions.

For records supporting the preparation and passage of agency legislation through Parliament, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Legislation.

For advice provided to Cabinet, the portfolio Minister and other government agencies on the proposed legislation for the agency and for comments made on other agencies' proposed legislation, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Advice.

For legal advice received on the interpretation of legislation, use LEGAL SERVICES - Advice.]

Planning

The process of formulating ways in which objectives can be achieved. Includes determination of services, needs and solutions to those needs.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2044

Final version of agency-wide strategic or corporate plans.



Classes for retention as national archives STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

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Policy

The activities associated with developing and establishing decisions, directions and precedents which act as a reference for future decision making, as the basis from which the organisation's operating procedures are determined.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2049



Records documenting the development and establishment of the agency's strategic management policies. Includes:

Retain as national archives

- policy proposals
- research papers
- results of consultations
- supporting reports
- major drafts
- · final policy documents
- national policy statements.

[For the development of the Chief Executive instructions, use FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - Policy.]

Reporting

The processes associated with initiating or providing a formal response to a situation or request (either internal, external or as a requirement of corporate policies), and to provide formal statements or findings of the results of the examination or investigation. Includes agenda, briefing, business, discussion papers, proposals, reports, reviews and returns.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2056

Final versions of formal internal reports and reports made to external agencies relating to the strategic management function. Retain as national archives

[For the Annual Report drafting process, use PUBLICATION - Drafting.

For the design, printing and retention of the final copy of an agency's Annual Report, use PUBLICATION - Production.

For the submission of the agency's Annual Report to the portfolio Minister, use GOVERNMENT RELATIONS - Compliance.]

Classes for retention as national archives **TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

The function of developing or acquiring, testing and implementing applications, systems and databases to support the business needs of the organisation, to capture, store, retrieve, transfer, communicate and disseminate information through automated systems. Includes the evaluation of software and hardware and the acquisition, tendering, leasing, licensing and disposal of systems. Also includes communication network systems such as video conferencing, voice mail and electronic mail and the technical aspects of the Internet, Intranet and Web Sites.

Implementation

The activities associated with carrying out or putting into action, plans, policies, procedures or instructions, all of which could be internally or externally driven. Includes manual or automated databases, applications or systems, but excludes the installation of equipment. Also includes monitoring to ensure that the implementation goes according to schedule and that standards are met and first aid treatment.

Entry No

Description of Records

Disposal Action

2117



Records documenting the application of an agency's counter-disaster plan or business continuity plan following an incident. Includes records covering the protection and re-establishment of data and the agency backup plan.

[For the development of a counter-disaster plan covering the technology and telecommunications function, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Planning.

For the recovery of information on an ad-hoc basis, use TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Operations.

For the implementation of the counter-disaster plan, vital records plan and emergency destruction plan within the organisation's information resources, use INFORMATION MANAGEMENT - Implementation.]



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