

BOARD REPORT

REPORT No.: 2020-43

MEETING DATE: SEPTEMBER 17, 2020 DATE PREPARED: AUGUST 24, 2020

SUBJECT: RECORDS RETENTION SCHEDULES BY-LAW UPDATES

RECOMMENDATION

THAT with respect to Report No. 2020-43 (Corporate Services Division), we, The District of Thunder Bay Social Services Administration Board (TBDSSAB or the Board), approve the updated Retention Schedules as presented;

AND THAT any necessary by-law be presented to the Board.

REPORT SUMMARY

To provide The District of Thunder Bay Social Services Administration Board (TBDSSAB or the Board) with recommended amendments to the Board's record retention schedule.

<u>BACKGROUND</u>

Records schedules are an essential element of a full lifecycle approach to the management of information. They ensure records are organized and captured in a recordkeeping system at the beginning of their lifecycle and managed throughout until their final disposition.

The Records Retention By-law identifies ten (10) business functions of TBDSSAB. Within each of these business functions are file series with corresponding retention periods. A records series is defined as the total body of related records, whether in one or more formats, that is separately organized and maintained because the records relate to a function or subject or result from the same activity. A records series can be further divided into sub-series if necessary. The sub-series would specify a different retention and/or disposition for different types of records within a group of related records that support a single business process or activity.

Section 39 of By-law Number 01-2017 – Governance and Procedural provides that the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) shall ensure all necessary books and records of the Board required by the By-laws of the Board or any applicable statute or law are regularly and properly kept.

COMMENTS

Administration regularly reviews its retention schedules to ensure they support operational requirements and are amended to reflect updates as required by legislation or operational need. As a result of the recent review, updates were required to the current retention schedules.

The revised retention schedules have been reviewed by the Division Directors and the CAO. The following are the key changes:

- SSM60 Accessibility removed from Management and Administration. All
 information relative to Accessibility is covered under Human Resources schedule
 SSH45 Accessibility AODA;
- **SSS10-02** remove FSW from description as this service is referred to outside agencies as of October, 2019;
- SSS10-03 Client Files OW FRO (Family Responsibility Office) include closed date for schedule. Schedule will be maintained until final destruction of previously closed files, in 2023;
- SSS20 remove reference to special needs;
- SSS20-02 add closed date as Special Needs service model was revised in 2015. Schedule will be maintained until final destruction of previously closed files, in 2023;
- SSS20-03 add closed date as Quality Assurance program was closed in 2019 and replaced with the Pedagogical Model. Schedule will be maintained until final destruction of previously closed files, in 2027;
- **SSS20-04** add new schedule for Pedagogical Model;
- **SSH100** add new schedule under Human Resources, Public HR, for information accessible by all staff, original documents remain in appropriate Human Resources schedule:
- SSA10 edit description to include electronic after-hours and maintenance reports;
- **SSI100** add closed date for physical tapes and edit to reflect move to electronic cloud-based backup;
- and minor wording updates.

The amended schedules are included in Attachment #1, highlighted with the specific changes.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are minimal financial implications related to the discontinuation of the Family Support and the Addiction Services Programs. Since these services have closed, TBDSSAB is no longer generating physical records which would be required to be maintained at off-site storage for the specified retention period. Costs savings are negligible given the small amount of information previously sent to storage under these schedules.

CONCLUSION

It is concluded that the retention schedules should be updated to reflect changes within legislation and operational requirements, and should be approved as presented.

REFERENCE MATERIALS ATTACHED

Attachment #1 - Retention Schedules

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RECORDS RETENTION

FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE & OPERATING FUNCTIONS OF THE DISTRICT OF THUNDER BAY SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION BOARD (TBDSSAB)

These common records series will assist staff in managing the retention and disposal of the records (paper and electronic) created, received and used in the functions of the organization including:

- Board Administration [SSB]
- Management & Administration [SSM]
- Social Services Programs [SSS]
- Policies, Procedures & Directives [SSP]
- Financial Management (includes purchasing) [SSF]
- Human Resources [SSH]
- Communications [SSC]
- Asset Management [SSA]
- Information and Information Technology Management [SSI]
- Legal [SSL]

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BOARD ADMINISTRATION

SSB10 Board Records

SSB20 Meetings

SSB30 Board Committees & Advisory Tables

SSB40 Public Board Records

SSB50 Board Composition & Governance





Series # Series Title and Description Retention and Disposition

SSB10 BOARD RECORDS

To provide a record of TBDSSAB representation, membership, guidelines and decisions. This series consists of government correspondence relative to the TBDSSAB, member municipalities, correspondence, performance measurements, work plans, Board agendas, minutes and resolutions (regular and in camera), Territory without Municipal Organization(TWOMO) documentation and election information, administrative summaries (regular and in camera), by-laws, working documents and related correspondence.

Note: All agenda's, minutes & reports of regular session meetings are moved to SSB40 once the meeting has taken place.

SSB20 MEETINGS

To maintain records related to the organization of meetings. Information collected includes meeting notifications, attendance, schedules and any related lunch / dinner and mileage associated with meetings of the Board and its various committees

SSB30 BOARD COMMITTEES & ADVISORY TABLES

Records relating to the establishment, organization, and functioning of all standing Committees and Advisory Tables of the Board and their related composition agendas and minutes.

Department:

2 years

Total: 15 years

Final:

Permanent

Subject to Review

Department:

1 year

Total:

2 years

Final: Destroy

Department:

2 years

Total: 15 years

Final:

Permanent

Subject to Review



Series # Series Title and Description Retention and Disposition

SSB40 PUBLIC BOARD RECORDS

A final copy of public records related to TBDSSAB that are accessible to all staff. These are copies for release to the public of reports, agendas and minutes of the Board operations as well as resolutions and the Final Annual Report.

Note: For closed session meetings, only only minutes are included in this series. See SSB10 for closed session agenda's and reports.

Department:

Permanent

Subject to Review

5 years

Total:

SSB50 BOARD COMPOSITION & GOVERNANCE

To provide a record of TBDSSAB representation, membership, guidelines and decisions. This series includes government correspondence relative to DSSAB governance and accountability, member municipalities' correspondence, Code of Ethics, Board representation, provincial appointee, annual board appointments, territory without municipal organization (TWOMO) documentation and election information

Department:

2 years

Final:

Permanent

Subject to Review





MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

SSM10 Department Planning & Meetings

SSM20 Statistics

SSM20-01 Social Policy

SSM20-02 Asset Management

SSM20-03 Programs

SSM20-04 Internal

SSM30 Administration Support

SSM40 Associations & Organizations

SSM50 Inter-Governmental Relations

SSM60 Accessibility

SSM70 Continuity Plans





Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSM10	DEPARTMENT PLANNING & MEETINGS Records of meeting for staff committees and department/division level planning. Includes staff meetings notices, agenda and minutes. The series also includes departmental planning, strategic plans and operational reports.	Department: 2 years Total: 7 years Final: Destroy
SSM20	STATISTICS To provide statistical records from the various departments and divisions as well as administration, which pertain to the operations of the organization such as caseload information, program results, time studies etc. Note: Includes SSM20-01 to 04	Department: 2 years Total: 10 years Final: Destroy
SSM30	ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT To provide a record of general correspondence with respect to TBDSSAB operations and administration including temporary delegations of authority pertaining to day-to-day administration as well as the working files of the Executive and Administrative Assistants.	Department: 2 years Total: 7 years Final: Destroy
SSM40	ASSOCIATIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS Records used in administering individual or TBDSSAB memberships in associations, organizations, societies, federations etc. Records include membership applications and correspondence, agenda, minutes of meetings, reports, annual reports, and membership fees documentation. Also includes correspondence related to conferences and travel for both administrative staff and Board members. Records relating to TBDSSAB's participation in the organization and administration of conferences, meetings and symposia, including materials relating to planning, advertising, administrative logistics and attendance at these events. Includes background material.	Department: 2 years Total: 7 years Final: Destroy



Series # **Series Title and Description** Retention and **Disposition SSM50** INTER-GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS Department: Records relating to political advocacy work within the 2 years province. May include white papers on various social Total: concerns within the province, information received from other DSSAB's, Boards and Agencies. Correspondence 7 years related to social movements within government bodies. **Final: Destroy**

SSM70 BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLANNING

Records relating to the program implementation and administration of Business Continuity Planning. May include procedures, standards, evaluations, work plans, business impact analyses, business services risk assessments, emergency response plans, emergency contact information, emergency notification protocols, procedures, standards, evaluations, and other related records.

Records used in planning and delivering management responses related to incident management.

Department:

2 years

Total:

2 years

Final: Destroy

After

Superseded



INTEGRATED SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAMS

SSS10-01 Client Files – OW

SSS10-02 Client Files – OW with overpayments

SSS10-03 Client Files – OW FRO (Closed October 2019)

SSS10-04 Client Files – Culling Client Records

SSS10-05 Client Files – Unfounded Fraud Documents Added

SSS20 Child Care & Early Years Programs

SSS20-01 Client Files – CC

SSS20-02 Special Needs (Closed July 2015)

SSS20-03 Quality Assurance (Closed December 2019)

SSS20-03SSS20-04 Quality Assurance Pedagogical Model

SSS30 Housing Program Records

SSS30-01A,D-H Client Files – Housing Services Programs

SSS30-02 Housing Providers

SSS30-03 Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative

SSS40 Property Management District Housing

SSS40-01 Client Files – Property Management Tenants

SSS40-02 Client Files – Property Management Tenants with

Arrears

SSS40-03 Client Files – Culling <u>electronic</u> Tenant Records



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSS10	ONTARIO WORKS PROGRAM To provide a record of Ontario Works programs and services through TBDSSAB. This series contains general documentation relative to the OW programs from the department perspective i.e. reports, family support, discretionary dental and drugs for ODSP clients, employment, EVP, LEAP, EHOW, ERO, FSW, CIVRS, as well as services plans, projects, crown briefs, SBT hearing documents and compliance reviews.	Department: 1 year Total: 5 years Final: Destroy
SSS10-01	CLIENT FILES - ONTARIO WORKS To provide a record of activity for clients in the Ontario Works Program. To document eligibility of clients and employment activities as well as identification. Information collected includes personal / confidential and health information for clients and their immediate family. For information related to Housing Security Funds see series SSS30-03 Note: Psychological Assessments for clients granted ODSP are stored separately in a locked cabinet and destroyed on-site. Those granted with no review follow	Department: 1 year Total: 5 years Final: Destroy Psychological Assessment with ODSP review date are subject to review prior to
	destruction of client file. Those with an ODSP review date are subject to review prior to on-site destruction.	destruction



Series # **Series Title and Description** Retention and **Disposition** SSS10-02 CLIENT FILES - OW - WITH OVERPAYMENTS

> Any client files that have an overpayment at the time of archiving are sent to off-site storage under this series. As per Directive 11.1 of the Delivery Standards of the Ontario Works Act, overpayment files must be kept indefinitely or until the overpayment is paid. Family Support Worker Files with overpayments are included. For information related to Housing Security Funds see series SSS30-03.

Note: Psychological Assessments for clients with Overpayments are kept permanently.

CLIENT FILES - FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER FILE SSS10-03

> To document activity for clients in the OW program who have an obligation under a family responsibility agreement. Information includes declaration of support, paternity and separation agreements as they affect clients receiving and paying under the Family Responsibility office. Files include personal/confidential and health information as well as information about the payers their name, address, phone number, social insurance number, birth date and health number.

This service ended October 31, 2019. (As of 2030 when final documents complete retention, this schedule will be removed).

Department:

1 year

Total:

Permanent

Final:

Permanent

Department:

5 years

Total:

10 years



Series # **Series Title and Description** Retention and **Disposition** SSS10-04 CLIENT FILES - - CULLING RECORDS Department: To provide a record of documents being culled from active 1 year clients in the Ontario Works Program. As per the delivery Total: standards, on-going segregation of documents that can 1 vear be destroyed prior to file destruction are pulled for shredding. Any documents superseded in the active file Final: Destroy that are older than 5 years can be culled with the exception of a part from those related to an overpayment, where there is an active fraud investigation or there is an outstanding family support issue. SSS10-05 ONTARIO WORKS UNFOUNDED FRAUD Department: To provide a record of documents related to unfounded 1 year fraud investigations for the Ontario Works Program. As per Total: directive 9.7 if an allegation of fraud is unfounded or unsupported records are to be deleted one year from the 1 year date that the assessment or investigation was completed **Final: Destroy** (including documentation from police, crown and trial activities where applicable.) This series applies only to records for eligibility complaints that are unsupported and

where no subsequent action on the case is taken.



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSS20	CHILD CARE CARE & EARLY YEARS PROGRAMS To provide a record of Child Care Programs, EarlyONEarly ON centres and services offered through TBDSSABContains general documentation relative to the program from a department perspective i.e. child care planning, fee subsidy, early learning. and information pertaining to the provision of special needs services to families and child care provider files. Also includes projects, compliance reviews and Child Care Registry information.	Department: 1 year Total: 7 years Final: Destroy
SSS20-01	CLIENT FILES – CHILD CARE To document eligibility of clients for child care fee subsidy and special needs services. Information collected contains personal / confidential information for the client and their immediate family members as well as address, phone number, social insurance number and birth date. May contain and health information. Includes cancelled special needs child care referrals and cancelled or expired social child care referrals.	Department: 1 year Total: 7 years Final: Destroy
SSS20-02	SPECIAL NEEDS To provide a record of services to children with special needs. This series includes files pertaining to the provision of services. Information collected contains personal / confidential information for the client and their immediate family members as well as address, phone number, social insurance number and birth date. May contain and health information. As of August 1, 2015 services contracted to Children's Centre Thunder Bay. (As of 2023 when final documents complete retention, this schedule will be deleted.)	Department: 1 year Total: 7 years Final: Destroy



Series # Series Title and Description

Retention and Disposition

SSS20-03 QUALITY ASSURANCE

To document compliance with legislation and performance of the Child Care Centres with the Quality Assurance monitoring program. Documents contain information relative to operating a quality assurance program to ensure compliance with Ministry guidelines and uphold a high standard of care for children and their families at child care centres holding agreements with TBDSSAB. Information collected may include information on clients and their immediate families. Includes Provider Insurance and Licences. Early_ON programs, although not under a formal Quality Assurance program are monitored through support of the TBDSSAB Child Care staff.

This program ended December 31, 2019 (As of 2027 when final documents complete retention, this schedule will be deleted)

Department:

1 year

Total:

7 years



Series

Series Title and Description

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SSS20-04

PEDAGOGICAL MODEL

Records related to the TBDSSAB team of Pedagogists supporting Child Care and Early ON centres, to ensure alignment with How Does Learning Happen?, The Child Care and Early Years Act, and the College of Early Childhood Educators Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice. Documentation contains information relative to operating under the Pedagogical Model to ensure compliance with Ministry guidelines and uphold a high standard of care for children and their families at child care and Early ON centres holding agreements with TBDSSAB. Information collected will include facilitation records, scheduled and unscheduled visit records and may include information on clients and their immediate families.

Department:

1 year

Total:

7 years

Final: destroy

SSS30

HOUSING PROGRAMS RECORDS

To provide a record of Social Housing Programs and services offered through TBDSSAB. This series contains general documentation relative to the various Housing Programs (both social and affordable) from a department perspective. Documents include Ministry updates, program guidelines, program up take plans, housing strategy, housing and homelessness plan, local rules, minutes from housing provider meetings, compliance reviews and general correspondence as well as information regarding the rent supplement program.

Department:

1 year

Total:

7 years



SSS30-01 CLIENT FILES — HOUSING PROGRAMS

To provide a record of activities related to applicants applying for housing programs and services (including waitlists). To document eligibility for housing and services such as Rent-Geared –To –Income Assistance, special needs housing, AHP / IAH Northern home repair / Ontario renovates, AHP/IAH – home ownership component, provincial rent bank, emergency energy fund. Information collected contains personal/confidential, financial and health information for clients and their immediate family members. Those applicants that are offered and accept Rent-Geared-To-Income Assistance, Special Priority Program (SPP or Exceptional) or Special Needs housing through TBDSSAB will have their information transferred to a tenant file SSS40-01 with the exception of the SPP application itself which will remain under SSS30-01

Department:

1 year

Total:

7 years

Final: Destroy

SSS30-01 A CLIENT FILES – HOUSING PROGRAMS CANCELLED / INELIGIBLE (REGULAR, SPECIAL NEEDS AND EXCEPTIONAL)

Relates to ineligible and cancelled applications, income and expense documentation, acknowledgements, cancellations and transfer requests, correspondence to and from applicants including notifications of family composition and correspondence with other government agencies, housing providers' institutions or professional community agencies. Includes RGI, Market Rent and Jasper. Contains personal information including contact name, citizenship, SIN, income/assets, income tax and employment history, birth certificates, custody agreements and medical data.

Department:

1 year

Total:

7 years



SSS30-01 D NORTHERN HOME REPAIR (NHRP) HOMEOWNERS

Records applications, forms and documentation relative to homeowners applying for funding under this program to do repairs, including accessibility, address health and safety issues, and energy efficiency in the form of an interest-free forgivable loan. Files remain active during the forgivable loan period of 20 years. Once the home is sold or the homeowner is deceased and all avenues for financial restitution have been exhausted, the file is considered closed.

Consists of documents relative to homeowners improving their single-family homes that require essential repairs and/or modifications to increase accessibility.

This program ended December 31, 2012

SSS30-01 E ONTARIO RENOVATES (OR) HOMEOWNERS

Records applications, forms and documentation relative to homeowners applying for funding under this program to do repairs, including accessibility, health and safety issues, and energy efficiency in the form of an interest-free forgivable loan. Files remain active during the forgivable loan period of 10 years. Once the home is sold or the homeowner is deceased and all avenues for financial restitution have been exhausted, the file is considered closed.

Consists of documents relative to homeowners improving their single-family homes that require essential repairs and/or modifications to increase accessibility.

(As of August 1, 2020, electronic files)

Department:

1 years

Total:

7 years

Final: Destroy

Department:

1 years

Total:

7 years



SSS30-01 F HOMEOWNERSHIP HABITAT

This series includes application forms and supporting documentation related to eligibility accessing the partnership program with Habitat for Humanity. Files remain active during the forgivable loan period of 15 years. Once the home is sold or the homeowner is deceased and all avenues for financial restitution have been exhausted, the file is considered closed.

Contains personal information including name, address, citizenship, SIN, income/assets, income tax and employment history and birth certificates, mortgage documentation.

This program ended December 31, 2012

SSS30-01 G PROVINCIAL RENT BANK

This series includes application forms, supporting verification information / documentation and correspondence related to eligibility.

Contains personal information including contact name, citizenship, SIN, income/assets, income tax and employment history, birth certificates and utility information/verification.

This program ended March 31, 2013

SSS30-01 H EMERGENCY ENERGY FUND

This series includes application forms, supporting verification information / documentation and correspondence related to eligibility.

Contains personal information including contact name, citizenship, SIN, income/assets, income tax and employment history, birth certificates and utility information/verification.

This program ended March 31, 2013

Department:

1 years

Total:

7 years

Final: Destroy

Department:

2 years

Total:

7 years

Final: Destroy

Department:

2 years

Total:

7 years



SSS30-02 HOUSING PROVIDERS

To document information related to the non-profit housing providers relative to the housing programs that they are administered under. This series includes deficit reductions plans, action plans, operational reviews; physical inspection reports target and unit activity reports, conflict of interest business cases issues management, TBDSSAB instructions and updates, provincial reporting and correspondence related to housing operations.

SSS30-03 COMMUNITY HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION INITIATIVE PROGRAM (CHPI)

To provide a record of activities for CHPI. Includes information related to shelters as well as documents for applicants applying for Housing Security Funds that are funded through CHPI. Applicant records include clients in receipt of the Ontario Disability Program and Ontario Works, as well as non-social assistance recipients.

Note: The 7 year retention period will not begin until the end of the CHPI program is determined. For Agreements see SSL30 Contracts & Agreements which are permanent.

SSS40

HOUSING PROGRAMS - PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

To provide a record of the Property Management Programs and services of TBDSSAB. This series contains documentation relative to the tenants and tenant programs including service plans, projects and compliance reviews and tenant support programs and tenant placement.

Department:

Department:

Final: Destroy

2 years

7 years

Total:

1 year

Total:

7 years

Final: Destroy

Department:

2 years

Total:

7 years



SSS40-01 CLIENT FILES -TENANT

To provide a record of activity for clients in the Property Management, Rent Supplement and Investment in Affordable Housing programs.

To document eligibility of clients for subsidized housing. Information collected contains personal/confidential and health information on clients and their immediate family members and/or roommates.

As of October 1, 2019 electronic files

SSS40-02 CLIENT FILES –TENANT WITH ARREARS

To provide a record of activity for clients in the Property Management, Rent Supplement and Investment in Affordable Housing programs with Arrears.

To document eligibility of clients for subsidized housing. Information collected contains personal/confidential and health information on clients and their immediate family members and/or roommates as well as balance owing.

As of October 1, 2019 electronic files

SSS40-03 CLIENT FILES – CULLING <u>ELECTRONIC</u>-TENANT RECORDS

To provide a record of <u>electronic</u>-documents culled from tenant files in <u>Housing Programs database (Yardi)</u>. As per Act to allow for on-going maintenance of documents that can be segregated and destroyed prior to the files destruction. Any documents pertaining to a unit, which the tenant has been moved out of more than 7 years ago, can be culled. Culling has been set for 7 years to accommodate tenant files with arrears.

Department:

1 year

Total:

5 years

Final: Destroy

Department:

1 year

Total:

7 years

Final: Destroy

Department:

1 year

Total:

1 year



POLICIES, PROCEDURES & DIRECTIVES

SSP10 Policies

SSP20 Procedures

SSP30 Job Aids & Guides

SSP40 Position Manuals

SSP50 Directives





Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSP10	POLICIES	Department:
	To document TBDSSAB policies and their development.	3 years
	This series includes approval policies, background information, research materials, drafts, correspondence,	Total:
	and authorizations regarding development of and final	3 years
	policies.	Final: Destroy
		After superseded
SSP20	PROCEDURES	Department:
	To document TBDSSAB procedures and their	3 years
	development.	Total:
	This series includes approval procedures, background	3 years
	information, research materials, drafts, correspondence, and authorizations regarding development of and final	Final: Destroy
	procedure documents.	After superseded
SSP30	JOB AIDS & GUIDES	Department:
	To document TBDSSAB Job Aids, Guides and their	3 years
	development.	Total:
	This series includes background information, research	3 years
	materials, drafts, correspondence, and authorizations regarding development of and final job aids and guides.	Final: Destroy
	rogarang development of and final job alds and guides.	After superseded



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSP40	POSTION MANUALS	Department:
	To maintain copies of detailed position manuals.	1 year
	This series includes step-by-step guides for positions	Total:
	within the organization.	1 year
		Final: Destroy
		After superseded
SSP50	DIRECTIVES	Department:
	To collect and maintain copies of and links to current	1 year
	Ministry Directives.	Total:
	This series includes background information,	1 year
	correspondence, and current directives pertaining to social services programs and links to government web	Final: Destroy
	sites.	After superseded



FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

SSF10	Budgets and Allocations
SSF20	Accounts Receivable
SSF30	Accounts Payable
SSF40	Payroll
SSF50	Banking and Insurance
SSF60	Year End
SSF70	External Financial Reporting
SSF80	Purchasing
SSF90	Reserve Funds
SSF100	Program Funds (Governmental Grants)
SSF110	Levy
SSF120	Long Term Debt
SSF130	Internal Financial Reporting
SSF140	Fleet Management



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSF10	BUDGETS AND ALLOCATIONS	Department:
	Records created and used during the process of preparing	2 years
	budgets and allocations for the program area for a fiscal year including final budgets and all directly related working	Total:
	papers and backup documentation.	7 years
	Records used to forecast planned budget expenditures	Final: Destroy
	and anticipated revenue streams over the course of the fiscal year.	Note: If program is being audited, retention begins after audit is completed
SSF20	ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	Department:
	Records relating to receivable accounts, including:	1 year
	Written receipts, bank deposit slips, cash receipt reports/ledger sheets, cheque-matching documents, and returned cheques. Includes records used in processing	Total:
		7 years
	returned (NSF) cheques.	Final: Destroy
	Records of financial transfers between TBDSSAB and various provincial and federal ministries.	
	Internal or external invoices provided for services i.e. FOI.	
	Reporting: Reports and ledgers such as ageing reports, cash receipt journals, billing registers, cash reconciliations, and any other monthly/annual reporting of receivables, Form 5 information and claims files	
	Revenues: Records of a general nature relating to the generation of revenues received by TBDSSAB resulting from the sale of goods or services such as from advertising space & rental for cell towers.	
	Completed journal forms, input forms, and all background documentation used to substantiate journal entries. Also includes other completed forms, input forms, and all background documentation used to substantiate journal entries.	



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSF30	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	Department:
	Records relating to accounts payable, including:	1 year
	petty cash statements, requests and approvals for travel,	Total:
	advances and expense claim forms (i.e. cell phone) and records relating to the request, approval, and issue of	7 years
	supplies such as stationery, forms, and parts. Completed journal forms, input forms, and background documentation used to substantiate journal entries.	Final: Destroy
	Records relating to dental authorizations and hostel billings.	
	Records relating to payable accounts that the TBDSSAB owes for goods or services received, including original invoices, correspondence, billings, packing slips, copies of financial transactions and other supporting documentation.	
	Copies of purchase orders, including blanket purchase orders, related correspondence, and backup documentation.	
	Records relating to employee credit cards, such as original applications, signed acknowledgement forms, change of address records, name changes, lists of cardholders, and lists of cancelled cards, credit card logs, approved individual monthly statements, invoices, packing slips, and supporting documentation.	
	Reporting: Computer reports and ledgers, including cheque registers, reports, and other monthly/annual summaries of payables.	
	Authority for Payment: Advice forms and original signed requisitions for payment.	



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSF40	PAYROLL Financial/accounting records relating to employee salaries/wages and benefits, including: Reports relating to bi-weekly payroll and monthly reimbursements to employees.	Department: 1 year Total: 7 years Final: Destroy
SSF50	BANKING AND INSURANCE Records relating to banks and banking, including bank statements. Also includes records relating to the establishment and maintenance of bank accounts, correspondence regarding bank accounts and month end reports. Financial control through reconciliations, including bank reconciliations, credit card reconciliations, and reconciliations relating to payroll, and benefits, etc. Contains list of outstanding cheques and returned fund reports, monthly cheque registers, cancelled cheques and records of stop payments.	Department: 1 year Total: 7 years Final: Destroy
	Insurance information such as policies, renewal notices and coverage as well as correspondence pertaining to insurance. Note: For insurance claims information see SSA30. Physical cheques are deposited electronically and retained until bank statements are reconciled. The statement forms the official record and physical cheques are shredded on-site.	



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSF60	YEAR END Contains audit program documentation, working papers, year-end reconciliations, including balance sheets, income statements, financial statements, correspondence, and copies of final audit reports as well as any follow-up documentation, reports, responses, and related records.	Department: 2 years Total: 7 years Final: Destroy
SSF70	EXTERNAL FINANCIAL REPORTING To document financial analysis, reconciliations, compliance reviews, investments, Ministry reports, and work in progress Board reports for the TBDSSAB funds. This series includes financial spreadsheets, mortgage & loans and investment documentation used in financial analysis, reconciliations and Ministry Reports.	Department: 2 years Total: 7 years Final: Destroy
SSF80	PURCHASING Records relating to the tendering process, including Requests for Proposal (RFPs), Requests for Quotations (RFQs), Requests for Information (RFIs), vendors' responses, proposals, tender submissions, tender specifications, advertisements, working papers, waivers, evaluation criteria, summaries, a signed copy of the legal agreement or contract, and post-delivery evaluations of vendor performance. Also Mmay also include debriefing documentation and records dealing with unsuccessful bids, price comparisons, technical reports, product comparisons, service requests, approvals, vendor of record agreements, standing agreements and single source agreements. As of March, 2018 all records are electronic on bids&tenders section of TBDSSAB website	Department: 2 years Total: 7 years Final: Destroy



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSF90	RESERVE FUNDS Records relating to the establishment and operation of reserve funds for contingencies, future capital projects, and program delivery.	Department: 2 years Total: 7 years Final: Destroy
SSF100	PROGRAM FUNDS Records relating to grants received through Provincial and Federal Agreements for program service delivery. Includes records relating to financial administration of the disbursement of grants given to outside organizations, agencies and individuals.	Department: 2 years Total: 7 years Final: Destroy
SSF110	LEVY Records related to the management of the Levy. Includes financial information and invoices as well as documentation and correspondence related to the Levy.	Department: 2 years Total: 7 years Final: Destroy
SSF120	LONG TERM DEBT Records include financial information, documentation and correspondence related to the long-term debt for TBDSSAB. For mortgages the retention applies once the file is closed.	Department: 2 years Total: 7 years Final: Destroy



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSF130	INTERNAL FINANCIAL REPORTS	Department:
	Records relating to grants received through Provincial and	2 years
	Federal Agreements for program service delivery.	Total:
	Includes records relating to financial administration of the disbursement of grants given to outside organizations, agencies and individuals.	7 years
		Final: Destroy
SSF140	FLEET MANAGEMENT	Department:
	Records related to purchase and maintenance as well as	2 years
	cost analysis of vehicles owned or leased by TBDSSAB.	Total:
		7 years
		Final: Destroy



HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

SSH10	Personnel Files	(Individual Employee Files)

SSH15 Attendance

SSH20 Organizational Design

SSH25 General

SSH30 Recruitment and Selection

SSH35 Disability

SSH40 Compensation and Benefits

SSH45 Accessibility (AODA)

SSH50 Training and Development

SSH60 Labour Relations

SSH70 Employee Relations

SSH80 Health and Safety

Safety data sheets (SDS)

<u>Joint health and safety committee</u>

SSH90 Leadership Team

SSH100 Public Human Resource (HR) Records



Series

Series Title and Description

Retention and Disposition

SSH₁₀

PERSONNEL FILES

Information collected includes employee name, address, phone number, SIN, marital status, date of birth, salary, benefits, deductions correspondence memorandum, probationary reports, records documenting the work history of classified, unclassified, and student employees. Records may include employee application and group insurance enrolment forms, authorities for appointment, oaths, and affirmations, letters of appointment, health information, return to work or employment accommodation plans, attendance support documentation, disciplinary letters, pension benefit information, accident information, job security information, employment transition information, and return to work documents.

Also may include performance appraisals, medical records, designated substances control program records, personal protective equipment records, photographs, police background checks, exit records, authorizations for educational assistance, authorizations for payroll deductions, records related to employee leaves and absenteeism due to vacation, illness, or special leave, records and any other appropriate documentation.

Note: In some cases, disciplinary letters must be pulled from the file 3 years from the date the discipline took place provided that the employee's personnel file has been clear of discipline for the preceding three years.

Note: A suitable process exists to restrict access to individual employee health information, attendance support information, return to work plans, and employment accommodation plans (for example, by storing this information separately within files in sealed envelopes).

Department:

2 years

Total:

40 years

Final: Destroy

after termination of employment



Series # Series Title and Description

Retention and Disposition

SSH15 ATTENDANCE

To maintain information related to attendance. Information collected includes time sheets, hours worked, error or exception reporting, biweekly pay details, overtime reports and lieu and absence reports. Records relating to employee leaves, absenteeism, and vacation. Records may include reports and general program information

Records relating to methodologies, procedures, and agreements used in scheduling hours of work, including guidelines for flexible hours, job sharing, and early closing and overtime, as well as call-back agreements, and supporting documentation.

Department:

1 year

Total:

2 years

Final: Destroy

SSH20 ORGANIZATIONAL DESIGN

To provide a record of the staffing structure of TBDSSAB. This series includes records relating to the creation and documentation of job positions and job classifications as well as organizational charts and staff complement reports.

Documents include: new job classifications, rejected classification requests, and the reclassification of existing positions, as well as job position descriptions and records relating to individual classification review procedures and appeals.

Records relating to the establishment of individual positions, related human resources requirements, and position allocations. May also include rejected requests for the establishment of positions.

Department:

2 years

Total:

7 years

Final: Destroy

Subject to Review



Series # Series Title and Description Retention and Disposition

SSH25 GENERAL
To provide a record of documentation with respect to 1 year

To provide a record of documentation with respect to general HR items such as memo's, reports and working papers. This series does not include employee specific records.

Final: Destroy

SSH30 RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION

Records relating to recruitment and selection. This series consists of requisite approvals to begin competitions, position descriptions, selection criteria, area of search documentation, internal and external job postings/advertisements, documentation, lists of candidates, interview schedules, and lists of selection committee members. Also includes interview formats and questions, rating and ranking materials, candidates' written consent to check references, reference check information, applications for employment, interview reports, and correspondence with applicants, including offer or rejection letters where applicable.

Excludes: unsolicited applications; these are not accepted.

Department:

1 year

Total:

3 years

Total:

1 year



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SSH35

DISABILITY (WSIB)

Records relating to individual claims made to the WSIB by TBDSSAB employees. These include Form 7, attending physician reports, benefits history documentation, current injury/accident details, accident investigation reports, WSIB reports, and other health information, correspondence, return to work plans/certifications, employment accommodation plans, and WSIB appeals.

Note: Employee specific incident and accident reports, logs and other related records are move to the employee file once WSIB process is completed see SSH10.

Department:

2 years

Total:

10 years

Final: Destroy

SSH40 COMPENSATION & BENEFITS

To provide information relative to compensation and benefits within the organization. This series consists of compensation and benefit reports, job evaluations, vacation, sick leave, salary administration and pay equity as well as salary increments, OMERS and general increases and collective bargaining increases as well as Record of employment correspondence.

Records detailing individual employees' deductions as well as working copies of rules and regulations used to calculate the various deductions from employee pay including deductions for the Canada Pension Plan, unemployment insurance, and income tax, as well as non-statutory deductions such as those for group insurance.

Department:

2 years

Total:

7 years



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSH45	ACCESSIBILITY - AODA	Department:
	To provide information and record action relative to the	2 years
	Accessibility for Ontarians with Disability Act. Includes correspondence and reporting required to meet the	Total:
	standards. Includes communication and public space	7 years
	design for employees and clients.	Final: Destroy
SSH50	TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT	Department:
	Records relating to TBDSSAB staff training and development, including the planning and funding of training. This series will contain test results, course evaluations, external training authorization, succession planning, tuition reimbursement, training resource material and staff orientation package.	2 years
		Total:
		5 years
		Final: Destroy
	Records relating to the planning and scheduling of training and development courses and workshops for employees and volunteer staff. Records include attendance records, records relating to course content, course evaluations, and related reports and comments.	



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SSH60 LABOUR RELATIONS

Records relating to the administration of grievances, appeals arbitration, and adjudications within TBDSSAB. Records may originate from any of the various steps within the grievance and arbitration process from the filing of grievances through to the issuance of arbitration awards. Records include correspondence, copies of grievances, legal documentation, notes, decisions, and settlement documents.

Records pertaining to union-related matters may include general correspondence, union-related policies, minutes and agenda for ad hoc union/management meetings, current seniority lists, and union time off lists.

Records relating to collective agreements and interpretations pertaining to employees, including copies of signed collective agreements, union and management proposals, correspondence, survey data, documentation regarding collective bargaining agreed upon items, and notes. Also includes interpretations and letters of understanding. Also includes non-union agreement interpretations, and guidelines and policies relating to non-bargaining unit employees.

Department:

2 years

Total:

10 years



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSH70	EMPLOYEE RELATIONS	Department:
	Records relating to official complaints by staff, including	2 years
	background material and histories, union correspondence, legal correspondence, and investigation reports including	Total:
	human rights and harassment complaints.	7 years
	Records documenting the employment transition process for individual employees under notice of layoff. Records include employment transition letters, options sheets, offers/assignment letters, employee displacement documentation, direct assignment information, information on temporary or permanent assignments, notes, and exit documentation.	Final: Destroy
	Documentation with respect to terminations, staff surveys and human rights.	



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSH80	HEALTH & SAFETY AND WELLNESS Documentation relative to the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) LifeWorks. Documentation pertaining to first aid services, fire evacuation plans, inspections and audit records, safety bulletins and technical documents used for research. Ministry of Labour orders and supporting documentation issued under the Occupational Health and Safety Act, which relate to TBDSSAB employees. Workplace inspection forms. Also records pertaining to personal protective equipment, emergency response and pandemic planning and minutes and agenda's for the Wellness Committee as well as information and event planning for Wellness Program initiatives. Records relating to health and safety training for staff including first aid training, certification training, Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) training, training relating to transportation of dangerous goods, and courses on managing health and safety. Records include attendance records, records relating to	Department: 2 years Total: 6 years Final: Destroy
	course content, evaluation reports and comments.	
SSH80-01	SAFETY DATA SHEETS (SDS)	Department:
	Safety Data Sheets (SDS). Paper copies only. SDS expire	2 years
	every five years or sooner if there has been a significant change. The retention period applies after the SDS has	Total:
	expired.	2 years
	Links are provided to on-line SDS sheets and therefore	Final: Destroy
	there is no need to keep electronic version.	After superseded



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSH80-02	JOINT HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE Minutes and agenda's for the Joint Health and Safety Committee.	Department: 2 years Total: 15 years Final: Destroy
SSH90	LEADERSHIP TEAM To provide a series to contain documents relative to the curriculum for internal training programs delivered by program supervisors, daily activity reports (completed by staff for visits outside the office), instructions for management regarding STD and LTD as well as incident reports.	Department: 2 years Total: 2 years Final: Destroy After superseded
<u>SSH100</u>	PUBLIC HR RECORDS To provide open access for all staff to human resource reference documents. Originals remain in appropriate schedules above based on HR subject. Only PDF copies would be accessible for staff to reference.	Department: 2 years Total: 2 years Final: Destroy After superseded



COMMUNICATIONS

SSC10 Publications

SSC20 Correspondence

SSC30 Media

SSC40 Events

SSC50 Reference Library

SSC60 Archives

SSC70 Public Communication





Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSC10	PUBLICATIONS	Department:
	To record development, design, and editing of pamphlets,	1 year
	articles, and other publications, as well as printing, layout, graphic design, and distribution of these published	Total:
	materials. Also contains documentation relative to	5 years
	marketing, advertising, and visual identity.	Final: Destroy
SSC20	CORRESPONDENCE	Department:
	To provide a record of the complaints and commendations	1 year
	as well as inquiries received by TBDSSAB.	Total:
	Records relating to public inquiries, complaints and	5 years
	commendations or responses related to operational and program activities, which have required complex or detailed responses.	Final: Destroy
SSC30	MEDIA	Department:
	To provide a record of the media related to the operations	1 year
	of TBDSSAB. This series contains all documentation relative to major issue management, internal	Total:
	communications, audio-visual files, news clippings and news releases, weekly media scans as well as advertisements to the public.	5 years
		Final: Destroy
SSC40	EVENTS	Department:
	To provide a record of the special events related to the operations of TBDSSAB. This series contains all documentation relative to major events held by the board, ceremony and speeches and presentation information.	1 year
		Total:
		5 years
		Final: Destroy



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSC50	REFERENCE LIBRARY To provide a record of the reference material used in operations as well as provide e-links to legislation and externally referenced sites i.e. sites with up to date statistics. The documentation relative to reference material for research and policy development that pertain to TBDSSAB is also under this series.	Department: 1 year Total: 5 years Final: Destroy
SSC60	ARCHIVES To provide a series for electronically archived materials. This series contains superseded directives, policies, legislation and statistics of TBDSSAB.	Department: 1 year Total: 10 years Final: Destroy
SSC70	PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS This series contains internal communications, newsletters, schedules for staff (vacations/floaters) phone scripts, lobby signs and presentation and information received from external sources (i.e. bus schedules), logo's, graphics and photos as well as minutes for full staff -and caseworkers' meetings.	Department: 1 year Total: 5 years Final: Destroy



ASSET MANAGEMENT

SSA10 Facilities Management - Operations

SSA10-01A Construction Projects

SSA10-01B Blueprints and Architectural Drawings

SSA10-02A Fire / Property Safety Plans

SSA10-02B Fire / Property Safety Inspections and Drill Records

SSA11 Facilities Management – Capital

SSA12 Disposition of Property

SSA20 Moveable Asset Inventory

SSA30 Insurance Claims

SSA40 Security – Physical Assets

SSA40-01 Security – Operation Reports

SSA40-02 Video Surveillance



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSA10	FACILITIES MANAGEMENT - OPERATIONS	Department:
	Records relating to the operation and maintenance of	2 years
	buildings, facilities, and structures including janitorial and cleaning services, after hours reports, general	Total:
	maintenance reports, grounds maintenance, and activities	10 years
	pertaining to mechanical systems and security equipment/camera placement.	Final: Destroy
	As of March 22, 2019, maintenance requests all electronic	
	Records relating to waste management program: recycling, garbage pick-up, and waste reduction programs.	
	Note: For fire prevention, plans and related inspections see SSA10-2A&B, SSA11	
SSA10-01A	CONSTRUCTION - PROJECT FILES	Department:
	Records relating to the planning, design, and construction	10 years
	of individual buildings, facilities, and structures. Also included are records dealing with major alterations, renovations or additions to existing buildings and structures as well as demolitions of buildings or structures. Records include planning and design documentation and	Total:
		Permanent
		Final:
	implementation documents.	Permanent
		Subject to Review
SSA10-01B	BLUEPRINT & ARCHITECTURAL DRAWINGS	Department:
	Contains blueprints, architectural drawings, building plans	Permanent
	and permits including appraisal reports, correspondence, surveys, and reports. May a Also may contain copies of original legal documents such as deeds.	Total:
		Permanent
	These drawings will become superseded/obsolete after	Final:
	the building has been sold or destroyed or otherwise disposed of.	Permanent
		Subject to Review



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSA10-02 A	FIRE / PROPERTY SAFETY PLANS Records relating to the Safety Plans for each building. Includes records for fire safety device locations, as well as emergency evacuations procedures and contact list for building owner and supervisory staff.	Department: Permanent Total: Permanent Final: Permanent
SSA10-02 B	FIRE / PROPERTY SAFETY INSPECTIONS	Department:
	Records relating to the fire and property inspections and drill records as well as system inspections and certification of fire safety, maintenance and test records for fire suppression systems, as well as Fire Plan updates. Note: Dry pipe sprinkler system inspections are under SSA11 due to 15-year inspection cycle.	2 years Total: 5 years Final: Destroy
SSA11	FACILITIES MANAGEMENT - CAPITAL	Department:
	Records include utility systems maintenance: air conditioning, ventilation, heating, other environmental control systems, lighting and electrical systems, water and plumbing systems and dry pipe sprinkler inspections.	10 years Total: 20 years
	Building Conditional Assessments (BCA's), Building Audits and related operational review items relative to the management of TBDSSAB properties. Includes BCA's for housing providers funded but not operated by TBDSSAB. BCA's include copies of correspondence and copies of work orders as well as technical reports i.e. energy audits.	Final: Destroy



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSA12	DISPOSITION OF PROPERTIES	Department:
	Records relating to the disposal of TBDSSAB lands or	10 years
	buildings through sale. May include reports and	Total:
	recommendations to the Board, sale records, surveys, deeds and copies of financial documents.	Permanent
	accas and copies of financial accaments.	Final:
		Permanent
SSA20	MOVEABLE ASSET INVENTORY	Department:
	Records relating to the control of moveable assets such as	2 years
	furniture and equipment through the various stages of receipt, storage, inventorying and issuing. Records	Total:
	include inventory reports.	5 years
	Records relating to the transfer or disposal of moveable assets through sale, disposal, condemnation, destruction, and write-off. Records include sale authorization documents, surplus furniture and equipment lists, disposal vouchers, and tendering documents, including those related to the disposal of vehicles.	Final: Destroy
	Records relating to the use, maintenance, and repair of owned and leased vehicles such as, cars, all-terrain vehicles, trucks, vans. Includes work orders, operating standards, inspection reports, storage regulations, and maintenance records as well as technical specifications, equipment catalogues, and vendor literature, which have been filed for ongoing program functions.	
SSA30	INSURANCE CLAIMS	Department:
	To maintain a record of insurance claims against	2 years
	TBDSSDAB for personal or property.	Total:
	NOTE : for coverage information, see SSF50.	5 years
		Final: Destroy



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSA40	SECURITY – PHYSICAL ASSETS To maintain a record of security of assets. Records relating to the physical security of buildings and other areas requiring special protective measures, including alarm systems, key combinations, use of locks, and security personnel. Records relating to key logs. Lists identify lock codes and matching keys Note: Once the building is sold or otherwise disposed of the logs can be destroyed.	Department: Permanent Total: Permanent Final: Permanent Destroy 2 years after building is sold or destroyed
SSA40-01	SECURITY – OPERATION REPORTS Administration of personnel security programs includes personnel clearances, passes, records relating to identification methods, documentation concerning badging, and other related records such as visitor/vendor sign in logs for main office.	Department: 3 years Total: 3 years Final: Destroy
SSA40-02	SECURITY - VIDEO SURVEILLENCE To maintain surveillance video recordings of incidents within the main office, satellite offices and housing properties. Video surveillance is used as a measure to protect public safety, detect or deter and assist in the investigation of criminal activity. Its operation has been set up to minimize privacy intrusion by having an automatic overwrite when the disk is full. Only records used that are related to incidents of public safety are maintained under this series (forms include -video surveillance system requests for release of record, video surveillance system review log and video surveillance system disposal log & video system public notification signage template).	Department: 3 years Total: 3 years Final: Destroy



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Note: Once video records have been turned over to Law Enforcement, they sign off and accept responsibility for the proper retention and disposal as appropriate for police evidence.





INFORMATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT

SSI10	Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (MFIPPA)
SSI20	IT/Systems Project Management
SSI30	Database Administration
SSI40	End-User Support
SSI50	Telecommunications
SSI60	Records Management
SSI70	Records Disposition
SSI80	Distribution
SSI90	Website
SSI100	Network Tape Management
SSI110	Systems and Network Administration
SSI120	Transitory Records



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSI10	FREEDOM OF INFORMATION Records relating to requests for information, investigations, privacy complaints, and appeals under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA). Includes copies of information provided to requestors and related correspondence as well as requests from Citizenship and Immigration Canada sponsorship program to confirm if an individual was in receipt of Ontario Works. Also included are tracking system records, support information, studies, reports and correspondence.	Department: 1 year Total: 5 years Final: Destroy Destroy after appeal period and judicial review period have expired
SSI20	IT/SYSTEMS PROJECT MANAGEMENT Records relating to information technology architecture and standards. Includes records documenting planning and strategies for information systems technology as well as research and evaluations relating to new technologies. Records relating to system hardware and software design and system architecture, including system specifications, and application and data design documents. Records documenting disaster incidents as they relate to	Department: 1 year Total: 7 years Final: Destroy
	information technology and electronic records, and the steps taken to remedy the situation to the satisfaction of all concerned parties. Records include incident reports, correspondence, and reviews.	



Retention and Disposition

SSI30

DATABASE ADMINISTRATION

Records relating to testing the functionality of systems, including test plans, the results and analyses of tests carried out on systems, test data and user acceptance test signoffs.

Records for centrally managed databases for which database administration requires specialized documentation. These typically feature decentralized access through more than one IT system (such as in the case of distributed databases) through, for example, client servers and specialized databases forming part of the larger system.

Records documenting the assignment of user privileges and the steps required to bring systems online once testing is complete.

Records relating to database maintenance including maintenance scheduling and the purging of old data. May include copies of operations manuals.

Records relating to network maintenance and management within main and district offices. Includes records documenting the day-to-day management of local-area networks (LANs), wide-area networks (WANs), and other types of computer networks.

Department:

1 year

Total:

7 years

Final: Destroy
Destroy after
database has
been fully
decommissioned
and the
information it
contains has met
applicable
retention
requirements, or
has been
successfully
migrated to
another system



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSI40	END-USER SUPPORT Records relating to the provision of support services to end-users of information systems and technology. Includes records related to the establishment and operation of help desk services, including inquiry logs, and escalations. In addition, it includes records related to customized information retrieval services provided to end-users for systems, which do not directly support client needs (ad-hoc reports, queries, etc.). It also includes records related to the provision of training (user orientation, etc.	Department: 1 year Total: 7 years Final: Destroy
SSI50	TELECOMMUNICATIONS Records relating to the development and operation of telecommunications systems such as voice mail (i.e. tree routing) Records may include correspondence, implementation documentation, inventories, cut-off notices and changes. Records relating to Business Communication Manager phone assignments.	Department: 1 year Total: 7 years Final: Destroy
SSI60	RECORDS MANAGEMENT Records include copies of records series and schedules, associated working papers, citation indexes for schedules and file classification plans. This series includes Records Transfer Lists and documents related to electronic and hardcopy records stored in off-site storage or kept permanently	Department: 1 year Total: 10 years Final: Destroy Destroy after record series is superseded or made obsolete



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSI70	RECORDS DISPOSITION Records include memos sent to Senior Administration for sign off on final disposition of records. Also includes disposition certificates and disposal notices for records that have been destroyed through on-site shredding services or at off-site storage facility.	Department: 1 year Total: 20 years Final: Destroy Destroy after records destroyed or transferred to the off-site storage
SSI80	DISTRIBUTION Records relating to mail, postal, courier services and organization and stocking forms. Records relating to postal services provided by Canada Post including postal rates, postal codes, regulations, and service inquiries, signed mail slips and spoiled postage. Also records relating to courier services such as lists of rates and services, inquiries, reports and courier slips and documents related to inter-office mail services between floors. Mailing and distribution lists.	Department: 1 year Total: 5 years Final: Destroy
SSI90	WEB SITE To maintain IT records for the website and website content for TBDSSAB. Includes documents relating to items such as renewal of domain name and lists of authorized web administrator.	Department: 1 year Total: 7 years Final: Destroy



Series # Series Title and Description Retention and Disposition

SSI100 NETWORK TAPE BACKUP MANAGEMENT

To maintain a physical copy of monthly tape backups. The physical copies include date and are kept on local servers off-site. These tapes contain backed up digital files from TBDSSAB network servers. Some of these digital files contain personal information of TBDSSAB clients.

Note: See Program schedules (SSS) for a list of the different types of personal information collected.

Discontinued physical tapes as of December 2018; As of 2025 all physical tapes will have completed retention and be deleted.

SSI110 SYSTEM AND NETWORK ADMINISTRATION

Records relating to network maintenance and management within and between agencies, regions, districts, or branches. Includes records documenting the day-to-day management of local-area networks (LANs), wide-area networks (WANs), and other types of computer networks.

Records relating to system hardware and software design and system architecture, including system specifications, and application and data design documents.

Some records from completed projects (SSI20) migrate to this series once project is ongoing. Planning and background of project will remain in the project file.

Department:

1 year

Total:

7 years

Final: Destroy

Department:

1 year

Total:

7 years



SSI120 TRANSITORY RECORDS

Short-term records created or received for minor or short-term informational purposes.

Examples include:

- "All staff" memoranda and messages about holidays, charity events, special events, retirements, IT help desk notifications
- "FYI" and "cc" messages that do not pertain directly to your area and do not initiate or require action,
- Internal telephone lists derived from the main directory,
- Transmittal information such as e-mail, cover memos and facsimile cover sheets that accompany a document, but do not add any substantive information such as date of transmittal, distribution list to the transmitted material.
- Minor administrative messages such as confirming meeting times,
- Photographs eliminated immediately after creation because of poor quality or repetitiveness.

Advertising and promotional items - consists of solicited or unsolicited information received from businesses, or individuals acting in a business or professional capacity, advertising or promoting their products or services.

Examples of this materials are product bulletins, course and seminar announcements, company profiles, sales letters, flyers, listserv emails, brochures, e-bulletins, menus, catalogues, free trial CDs or DVDs, price lists, direct mail/e-mail notices also referred to as "junk mail" and "spam", broadcast facsimiles.

Destroy immediately when material is no longer required

Destroy immediately upon receipt when the material is not required, or when it has been replaced by a newer version, or version or is no longer actively referred to.



SSI120 CON'TD

Surplus duplicates - Consists of extra or additional copies of a master document where nothing has been added, annotated, changed or deleted and the copies have been created, distributed, and used only for convenient reference.

Destroy immediately when no longer actively used and referred to

Examples include:

- Photocopies of paper documents,
- Extra electronic copies of electronic documents,
- Unaltered <u>print-outsprintouts</u> from electronic records where the electronic version is the master record.
- Unaltered electronic copies of paper records where the paper version is the master record,
- Reading or circulation copies,
- Extra copies of the identical document within the same file.
- Copies of widely distributed materials such as manuals, directives, bulletins, instructions, guidelines, reports, agendas/minutes,

<u>Excludes</u>: Duplicate records in a different medium that are maintained on an ongoing basis because they add significant functionality beyond other available formats (e.g. database records; spreadsheets; negatives).

<u>Excludes</u>: Duplicate records that are maintained because an organizational decision has been made that they are required for an extended period in order to carry out administrative, operational and decision-making activities.

Failed output records - Consists of records that are unusable as a result of a failed output or duplication process.

Examples include failed print jobs (printer, photocopier, facsimile, photo finishing), failed audio or video reproductions, outputs resulting from abnormally ended jobs, improper selection criteria and programming errors.

Destroy immediately upon output failure



Series

Series Title and Description

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SSI120 CON'TD

Draft documents & working papers - preliminary versions of documents, such as correspondence, reports, minutes; rough notes; research materials and calculations, that were collected and used in the preparation of a final document, but are not needed once the final version of a document is completed, distributed and filed as the master record, i.e. drafts and working materials that **do not** indicate new decisions, formal approvals, or contain significant or substantial changes or comments that provide insight into the evolution of the final version.

Destroy immediately when the final master record has been completed and filed

Examples include:

- Annotated duplicates with editing and formatting notes,
- Drafts that represent stylistic, spelling or grammatical changes,
- Comments on drafts of internal memoranda, routine correspondence, and reports incorporated into a final draft.
- Rough notes, outlines and calculations,
- Lists of points to be considered or included,
- Ideas or suggestions received from co-workers,
- Audio recordings of dictated correspondence, conferences and meetings used to prepare correspondence, papers, minutes and transcripts,
- Minor drafts not circulated for comment.

Note: Transitory records must be destroyed using methods appropriate to their level of sensitivity and/or security classification. For example, if a transitory record contains personal information it must be disposed of in the confidential shredding bins as these documents are shredded so that the personal information cannot be reconstructed.



LEGAL

SSL10 Internal Action
SSL20 External Action

SSL30 Contracts & Agreements

SSL35 Landlord Rent Supplement Agreements





Retention and Disposition

SSL10 INTERNAL ACTION

To maintain records relative to internal legal records of TBDSSAB consisting of a variety of subjects.

Legal opinions and advice provided regarding issues, policies, appeals, claims and practices as they relate to the programs and clients of the organization. May also include correspondence, reference material and draft documents relating to interpretation and application of the statutes administered by the Board and a variety of other legal matters affecting the Board.

Department:

1 year

Total:

10 years

Final: Destroy

Destroy after all administrative actions are completed

SSL20 EXTERNAL ACTION

To maintain records relative to external legal records of The District of Thunder Bay Social Services Administration Board.

Information relative to outside legal action, risk management and incident reports (client). As well as Board Solicitor correspondence.

Case files relating to work undertaken by outside legal services in representing TBDSSAB in litigation, including appeals. May include correspondence with staff and other lawyers, notes, background information, supporting documentation, court documents, investigation reports, research materials, transcripts of hearings, decisions.

Records are used to document legal actions taken pursuant to acts and regulations and to keep records of proceedings before courts and tribunals.

Department:

1 year

Total:

10 years

Final: Destroy

Destroy after all administrative actions are completed



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSL30	CONTRACTS & AGREEMENTS	Department:
	To maintain final agreements between the various Ministries and TBDSSAB as well as agreements between TBDSSAB and various service providers. Includes data sharing and protocol agreements. Correspondence regarding the contents of contracts and agreements between TBDSSAB and various organizations, agencies, governments, and individuals, drafts of contracts and agreements, notes, and research materials.	1 year
		Total:
		Permanent
		Final:
		Permanent
		After superseded
	Records are used to prepare and/or negotiate contracts in consultation with program managers, and to provide legal evidence of the terms and conditions of contracts.	
SSL35	LANDLORD RENT SUPPLEMENT AGREEMENTS	Department:
	To maintain final agreements between the various rent supplement landlords. Correspondence regarding the contents of contracts and various organizations, agencies, governments, and individuals, drafts of contracts and agreements, notes, and research materials.	2 year
		Total:
		25 years
		Final: Destroy
	Records are used to prepare and/or negotiate contracts in consultation with program managers, and to provide legal evidence of the terms and conditions of contracts.	After superseded
	As of June 2020, all documents are electronic.	