

### **BOARD REPORT**

REPORT No.: 2021-40

MEETING DATE: SEPTEMBER 16, 2021 DATE PREPARED: AUGUST 19, 2021

SUBJECT: RECORDS RETENTION SCHEDULES BY-LAW UPDATES

### **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT with respect to Report No. 2021-40 (Corporate Services Division), we The District of Thunder Bay Social Services Administration Board (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 TBDSSAB record retention schedule.

### **BACKGROUND**

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 Chief Administrative Officer (CAO). The following are the key changes:

Section	Description
SSS10	Update description to remove Crown Briefs, see new schedule added (SSS10-07)
SSS10-06	Add new schedule Client Files Ontario Works Scanned Documents: allow tracking and destruction of scanned documents considered transitory once scanned to SAMS
SSS10-07	Add new schedule for Crown Briefs with 10-year retention
SSS20-05	Add new schedule Client Files Child Care Scanned Documents: allow tracking and destruction of scanned documents considered transitory once scanned to OCCMS
SSS30-04	Add new schedule for Reaching Home Initiative with a 6-year retention
SSS40-04	Add new schedule Client Files Housing Programs Scanned Documents: allow tracking and destruction of scanned documents considered transitory once scanned to Yardi
SSH10	Reduce retention to 10 years; sub-series apply for longer retention scheduled to be used for personnel files containing physician reports of chemical exposure
SSH10-01	Add new sub-series schedule to accommodate retaining files 40 years where an occupational exposure report is on file
SSH80-03	Add new schedule to maintain pandemic screening records from staff, visitors/vendors, and clients for 180 days
SSI30	Wording update to reflect actual practice. Third party databases are not currently purged. Will continue to review

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

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no financial implications associated with the implementation of the updated Records Management By-law.

### **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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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

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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 minutes are included in this series. See SSB10 for closed session agenda's and reports.

Department:

**5 years** Total: **Permanent**Subject to Review

### 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

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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.

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

Note: Includes SSM20-01 to 04

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

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Series # Series Title and Description Retention and Disposition

### SSM50 INTER-GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Records relating to political advocacy work within the province. May include white papers on various social concerns within the province, information received from other DSSAB's, Boards and Agencies. Correspondence related to social movements within government bodies.

Department:

2 years

Total:

7 years

**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 Ontario Works Program

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

SSS10-06 Client Files – OW Scanned Documents

SSS10-07 Crown Briefs

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)

SSS20-04 Pedagogical Model

SSS20-05 Client Files – CC Scanned Documents

SSS30 Housing Programs

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

SSS30-02 Housing Providers

SSS30-03 Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative

SSS30-04 Reaching Home Initiative

SSS40 Property Management

SSS40-01 Client Files – Property Management Tenants

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SSS40-02 Client Files – Property Management Tenants with

Arrears

SSS40-03 Client Files – Culling electronic Tenant Records

SSS40-04 Client Files – HP Scanned Documents

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Series # **Series Title and Description** Retention and **Disposition SSS10** ONTARIO WORKS PROGRAM Department: To provide a record of Ontario Works programs and 1 year services through TBDSSAB. This series contains general Total: documentation relative to the OW programs from the department perspective i.e. reports, family support, 5 years discretionary dental and drugs for ODSP clients, Final: Destroy employment, EVP, LEAP, EHOW, ERO, CIVRS, as well as services plans, projects, crown briefs, SBT hearing

### SSS10-01 CLIENT FILES - ONTARIO WORKS

documents and compliance reviews.

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 destruction of client file. Those with an ODSP review date are subject to review prior to on-site destruction.

Department:

1 year

Total:

5 years

**Final: Destroy** 

Psychological
Assessment with
ODSP review
date are subject
to review prior to
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. For information related to Housing Security Funds see series SSS30-03.  Note: Psychological Assessments for clients with Overpayments are kept permanently.	Department:  1 year  Total:  Permanent  Final:  Permanent
SSS10-03	CLIENT FILES – FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER FILE  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: 5 years Total: 10 years Final: Destroy



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### SSS10-04 CLIENT FILES - CULLING RECORDS

To provide a record of documents being culled from active clients in the Ontario Works Program. As per the delivery standards, on-going segregation of documents that can be destroyed prior to file destruction are pulled for shredding. Any documents superseded in the active file older than 5 years can be culled apart from those related to an overpayment, where there is an active fraud investigation or there is an outstanding family support issue.

Department:

1 year

Total:

1 year

Final: Destroy

### SSS10-05 ONTARIO WORKS UNFOUNDED FRAUD

To provide a record of documents related to unfounded fraud investigations for the Ontario Works Program. As per directive 9.7 if an allegation of fraud is unfounded or unsupported records are to be deleted one year from the date that the assessment or investigation was completed (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.

Department:

1 year

Total:

1 year

Final: Destroy

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### **SSS10-06**

### **CLIENT FILES – OW SCANNED DOCUMENTS**

Scanned documents which have been electronically uploaded and filed within the Social Assistance

Management System (SAMS). All paper versions once scanned are considered copies and destroyed after the completion of the quality assurance process, which in occurs during the 90-day hold period.

### Department:

90 Days

Total:

90 Days

**Final: Destroy** 

### <u>SSS10-07</u>

### **CROWN BRIEFS**

Crown briefs are records for the purpose of exchanging information and legal advice related to investigation and prosecution of cases of suspected social assistance fraud. Review and investigation of fraud was identified within the Ontario Works Value for Money audit from the Office of the Auditor General of Ontario. Protocols and procedures are in place with the local Crown Attorney's Office and local police services regarding collection of information; referring a case to the police; initial preparation and vetting of the Eligibility Review Officer's file with the police; securing documentation, storage and disposition of evidence; and/or preparation of the Crown briefs.

### Department:

10 years

Total:

10 years

Final: Destroy

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Department:

Final: Destroy

Department:

1 year

Total:

7 years

1 year

Total:

7 years

### SSS20 CHILD CARE & EARLY YEARS PROGRAMS

To provide a record of Child Care Programs, Early ON centres and services offered through TBDSSAB. Contains general documentation relative to the program from a department perspective i.e. child care planning, fee subsidy, early learning. Also includes projects, compliance reviews and Child Care Registry information.

### 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.

**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



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### 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

**Final: Destroy** 



### Retention and Disposition

### 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

### **SSS20-05**

### **CLIENT FILES – CC SCANNED DOCUMENTS**

Scanned documents which have been electronically uploaded and filed within the Ontario Child Care

Management System (OCCMS). All paper versions once scanned are considered copies and destroyed after the completion of the quality assurance process, which in occurs during the 90-day hold period.

### Department:

90 Days

Total:

90 Days

Final: Destroy

### SSS30 HOUSING PROGRAMS

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

Final: Destroy



### 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

**Final: Destroy** 



### 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

Final: Destroy



### 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

Final: Destroy



### SSS30-02 HOUS

### **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.

### Department:

2 years

Total:

7 years

Final: Destroy

### 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.

Department:

1 vear

Total:

7 years

**Final: Destroy** 

**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.

### SSS30-04

### REACHING HOME INITIATIVE

To provide a record of activities for Reaching Home Initiative. This program is funded by the Government of Canada to support projects aimed at reducing homelessness and preventing individuals and families at imminent risk of becoming homeless.

Department:

1 year

Total:

6 years

Final: Destroy

Note: The program is time limited ending March 31, 2022.



### 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:

2 years

Total:

7 years

**Final: Destroy** 



### 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 ELECTRONICTENANT RECORDS

To provide a record of electronic documents culled from tenant files in database (Yardi). As per Act to allow for ongoing 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

**Final: Destroy** 



**SSS40-04** 

### **CLIENT FILES – HP SCANNED DOCUMENTS**

Scanned documents which have been electronically uploaded and filed within the Yardi (Property Management System). All paper versions once scanned are considered copies and destroyed after the completion of the quality assurance process, which occurs during the 90-day hold period.

Department:

90 Days

Total:

<u>90 Days</u>

**Final: Destroy** 



### **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, and authorizations regarding development of and final policies.	Total:
		3 years
		Final: Destroy
		After superseded
SSP20	PROCEDURES	Department:
	To document TBDSSAB procedures and their development.	3 years
		Total:
	This series includes approval procedures, background information, research materials, drafts, correspondence, and authorizations regarding development of and final procedure documents.	3 years
		Final: Destroy
		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 materials, drafts, correspondence, and authorizations regarding development of and final job aids and guides.	3 years
		Final: Destroy
		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 within the organization.	Total:
		1 year
		Final: Destroy
		After superseded
SSP50	DIRECTIVES	Department:
	To collect and maintain copies of and links to current Ministry Directives.	1 year
		Total:
	This series includes background information, correspondence, and current directives pertaining to social services programs and links to government web sites.	1 year
		Final: Destroy
		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	Total:
	year including final budgets and all directly related working 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 returned (NSF) cheques.	Total:
		7 years
		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	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.  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.	Department:  1 year  Total:  7 years  Final: Destroy



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.  May 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 Federal Agreements for program service delivery.	2 years Total:
	Includes records relating to financial administration of the disbursement of grants given to outside organizations,	7 years
	agencies and individuals.	Final: Destroy
SSF140	FLEET MANAGEMENT	Department:
	Records related to purchase and maintenance as well as cost analysis of vehicles owned or leased by TBDSSAB.	2 years
		Total:
		7 years
		Final: Destroy



### **HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT**

SSH10 Personnel Files (Individual Employee Files)

SSH10-01 Personnel Files (with Occupation Exposure Reports)

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

SSH80-01 Safety data sheets (SDS)

SSH80-02 Joint health and safety committee

SSH80-03 Pandemic Screens Staff, Visitor/Vendor & Clients

SSH90 Leadership Team

SSH100 Public Human Resource (HR) Records



Series #

**Series Title and Description** 

Retention and Disposition

#### SSH<sub>10</sub>

#### **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:

40-10 years

**Final: Destroy** 

after termination of employment



Series #

**SSH15** 

## **Series Title and Description**

Retention and Disposition

# SSH10-01

# PERSONNEL FILES with Occupational Exposure Reports

See description for SSH10. The only difference being the presence of a physician report on chemical exposure being included in the personnel file which warrants the longer retention per legislation.

# 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.

### 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:

40 years

**Final: Destroy** 

<u>after</u> termination of

<u>employment</u>

Department:

1 year

Total:

2 years

Final: Destroy

Department:

2 years

Total:

7 years

Final: Destroy

Subject to Review



### SSH25 GENERAL

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. Department:

1 year

Total:

3 years

**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:

1 year

**Final: Destroy** 



# 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

**Final: Destroy** 



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSH45	ACCESSIBILITY - AODA  To provide information and record action relative to the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disability Act. Includes correspondence and reporting required to meet the standards. Includes communication and public space design for employees and clients.	Department: 2 years Total: 7 years Final: Destroy
SSH50	TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT  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.  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.	Department: 2 years Total: 5 years Final: Destroy



## Series # Series Title and Description

# Retention and Disposition

## 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

**Final: Destroy** 



and human rights.

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, Total: legal correspondence, and investigation reports including human rights and harassment complaints. 7 years **Final: Destroy** 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. Documentation with respect to terminations, staff surveys



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 agendas 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 course content, evaluation reports and comments.

### SSH80-01 SAFETY DATA SHEETS (SDS)

Safety Data Sheets (SDS). Paper copies only. SDS expire every five years or sooner if there has been a significant change. The retention period applies after the SDS has expired.

Links are provided to on-line SDS sheets and therefore there is no need to keep electronic version. Department:

2 years

Total:

6 years

**Final: Destroy** 

Department:

2 years

Total:

2 years

Final: Destroy

After superseded

Attachment #1 Report No. 2021-40



Series # Series Title and Description

Retention and Disposition

Department:

SSH80-02 JOINT HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Minutes and agendas for the Joint Health and Safety Committee.

2 years Total:

15 years

Final: Destroy

SSH80-03 Pandemic screens staff visitors/vendors and clients

Records relating to pandemic screening of staff, visitors/vendors and clients for the purpose of meeting the requirements set out in provincial regulations. This schedule will remain in effect until such time as the Province updates or withdraws the requirements of this legislation.

**Department:** 

**180 Days** 

Total:

180 Days

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

SSH100 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  To record development, design, and editing of pamphlets, articles, and other publications, as well as printing, layout, graphic design, and distribution of these published materials. Also contains documentation relative to marketing, advertising, and visual identity.	Department: 1 year Total: 5 years Final: Destroy
SSC20	CORRESPONDENCE  To provide a record of the complaints and commendations as well as inquiries received by TBDSSAB.  Records relating to public inquiries, complaints and commendations or responses related to operational and program activities, which have required complex or detailed responses.	Department:  1 year  Total: 5 years  Final: Destroy
SSC30	MEDIA  To provide a record of the media related to the operations of TBDSSAB. This series contains all documentation relative to major issue management, internal communications, audio-visual files, news clippings and news releases, weekly media scans as well as advertisements to the public.	Department: 1 year Total: 5 years Final: Destroy
SSC40	EVENTS  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.	Department: 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
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  Records relating to the operation and maintenance of buildings, facilities, and structures including janitorial and cleaning services, after hours reports, general maintenance reports, grounds maintenance, and activities pertaining to mechanical systems and security equipment/camera placement.  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	Department: 2 years Total: 10 years Final: Destroy
SSA10-01A	CONSTRUCTION – PROJECT FILES  Records relating to the planning, design, and construction 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 implementation documents.	Department: 10 years Total: Permanent Final: Permanent Subject to Review
SSA10-01B	BLUEPRINT & ARCHITECTURAL DRAWINGS  Contains blueprints, architectural drawings, building plans and permits including appraisal reports, correspondence, surveys, and reports. May also contain copies of original legal documents such as deeds.  These drawings will become superseded/obsolete after the building has been sold or destroyed or otherwise disposed of.	Department: Permanent Total: Permanent Final: Permanent Subject to Review



Series #	Series Title and Description	Retention and Disposition
SSA10-02 A	FIRE / PROPERTY SAFETY PLANS	Department:
	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.	Permanent
		Total:
		Permanent
		Final:
		Permanent
SSA10-02 B	FIRE / PROPERTY SAFETY INSPECTIONS	Department:
	Records relating to the fire and property inspections and	2 years
	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.	Total:
		5 years
	Note: Dry pipe sprinkler system inspections are under SSA11 due to 15-year inspection cycle.	Final: <b>Destroy</b>
SSA11	FACILITIES MANAGEMENT - CAPITAL	Department:
	Records include utility systems maintenance: air	10 years
	conditioning, ventilation, heating, other environmental control systems, lighting and electrical systems, water and	Total:
	plumbing systems and dry pipe sprinkler inspections.	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
		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 include inventory reports.	Total:
		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: <b>Destroy</b>
	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
	TBDSSAB for personal or property.	Total:
	NOTE: for coverage information, see SSF50.	5 years
		Final: Destroy



**Retention and** Series # **Series Title and Description Disposition SSA40** SECURITY - PHYSICAL ASSETS Department: To maintain a record of security of assets. Permanent Records relating to the physical security of buildings and Total: other areas requiring special protective measures. Permanent including alarm systems, key combinations, use of locks, Final: and security personnel. Permanent Records relating to key logs. Lists identify lock codes and Destroy 2 years matching keys after building is Note: Once the building is sold or otherwise disposed of sold or destroyed the logs can be destroyed. SSA40-01 **SECURITY - OPERATION REPORTS** Department: Administration of personnel security programs includes 3 years personnel clearances, passes, records relating to Total: identification methods, documentation concerning badging, 3 years and other related records such as visitor/vendor sign in logs for main office. **Final: Destroy** SSA40-02 **SECURITY - VIDEO SURVEILLENCE** Department: To maintain surveillance video recordings of incidents 3 years within the main office, satellite offices and housing Total: properties. Video surveillance is used as a measure to 3 years

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).

**Final: Destroy** 

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# Series # Series Title and Description

Retention and Disposition

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 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.

Department:

1 year

Total:

7 years

Final: Destroy



## Series # Series Title and Description

# 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

made obsolete



Series # **Series Title and Description** Retention and **Disposition SSI40 END-USER SUPPORT** Department: Records relating to the provision of support services to 1 year end-users of information systems and technology. Total: Includes records related to the establishment and operation of help desk services, including inquiry logs, 7 years and escalations. In addition, it includes records related to **Final: Destroy** customized information retrieval services provided to endusers 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. **SSI50 TELECOMMUNICATIONS** Department: Records relating to the development and operation of 1 year telecommunications systems such as voice mail (i.e. tree Total: routing) Records may include correspondence, 7 years implementation documentation, inventories, cut-off notices and changes. Records relating to Business **Final: Destroy** Communication Manager phone assignments. **SSI60** RECORDS MANAGEMENT Department: Records include copies of records series and schedules. 1 year associated working papers, citation indexes for schedules Total: and file classification plans. 10 years This series includes Records Transfer Lists and Final: Destroy documents related to electronic and hardcopy records Destroy after stored in off-site storage or kept permanently record series is superseded or

**Final: Destroy** 



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



Series # **Series Title and Description** Retention and Disposition **SSI100 NETWORK BACKUP MANAGEMENT** Department: To maintain a copy of monthly backups. 1 year The copies include date and are kept on local servers off-Total: site. These contain backed up digital files from TBDSSAB 7 years network servers. Some of these digital files contain personal information of TBDSSAB clients. **Final: Destroy** 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** 



Series #

### **Series Title and Description**

Retention and Disposition

### 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 is no
longer actively
referred to.



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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 printouts 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



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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 completed and 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 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.

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### 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** SSL<sub>30</sub> CONTRACTS & AGREEMENTS Department: To maintain final agreements between the various 1 year Ministries and TBDSSAB as well as agreements between Total: TBDSSAB and various service providers. Includes data Permanent sharing and protocol agreements. Correspondence regarding the contents of contracts and agreements Final: between TBDSSAB and various organizations, agencies, Permanent governments, and individuals, drafts of contracts and agreements, notes, and research materials. 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. LANDLORD RENT SUPPLEMENT AGREEMENTS SSL35 Department: To maintain final agreements between the various rent 2 year supplement landlords. Correspondence regarding the Total: contents of contracts and various organizations, agencies, 25 years governments, and individuals, drafts of contracts and agreements, notes, and research materials. Final: Destroy Records are used to prepare and/or negotiate contracts in After superseded consultation with program managers, and to provide legal evidence of the terms and conditions of contracts. As of June 2020, all documents are electronic.