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AGENCY SPECIFIC RECORD SCHEDULE FOR: Municipal Police Departments

Authority: A custodian of public records shall not destroy, give away, sell, discard, or damage any record or records in his or her charge, unless specifically authorized by law or under a record schedule, as defined in 3 V.S.A. § 117(a)(6), that has been approved by the State Archivist. (1 V.S.A. § 317a)

Scope: This agency specific record schedule is applicable only to the records listed on this record schedule that are produced or acquired during the course of agency business. Records are any written or recorded information, regardless of physical form or characteristics, and includes electronic or

digital records and data. (1 V.S.A. § 317)

This is an agency specific record schedule (SRS). The agency (Municipal Police Departments) may develop its own internal policies and

procedures to assure that the requirements outlined in this record schedule are being applied across the agency. For records required to be retained until OBSOLETE, an internal policy clearly stating specific retention requirements that best meet the agency's administrative needs is highly advised. Specific Record Schedule (SRS) numbers shall be cited in all internal policies to demonstrate compliance with 1 V.S.A. § 317a.

Exemptions: It is the policy of Title 1, Chapter 5, Subchapter 3 of Vermont Statutes Annotated to provide for free and open examination of records consistent with

Chapter 1, Article 6 of the Vermont Constitution. All people, however, have a right to privacy in their personal and economic pursuits, which ought to be protected unless specific information is needed to review the action of a governmental officer. Some records listed on this record schedule may be exempt from public inspection and copying for this reason. Security measures to protect records and information from unauthorized access, use, and disclosure are necessary if the records are exempt pursuant to 1 V.S.A. §§ 315-320. Please see Appendix B for Access Requirements and

Appendix E for related legal references regarding exemptions from public inspection and copying.

Retention: This agency specific record schedule reflects the retention and disposition requirements for the following records regardless of their media, format,

or mode of transmission. Duplicate records within the same agency that are used for specific legal, fiscal, or administrative purposes may be either retained using the retention requirement listed in this schedule or in accordance to an internal policy. Any copies of records made only for convenience of reference or informational purposes may be discarded when no longer needed unless otherwise directed through an internal policy.

Within the same agency, duplicates or copies of records shall not be retained longer than the original records.

Adoption: This agency specific record schedule is in effect for the agency (Municipal Police Departments). If, at any time, this agency specific record schedule

does not address all the records created or produced in the course of agency business or the requirements related to the following records have

changed, contact the Vermont State Archives and Records Administration for a formal records appraisal.

SRS-1821.1100: Criminal Investigations

SRS-1821.1100: This schedule is reserved for recorded evidence of activities and transactions that relate to or affect, in a specific manner, the investigation of felonies, misdemeanors, or delinquent acts under the laws of this State, another state, or the United States.

Classification: Offenses (Investigating)

Retention: With the exception of registers, records listed in this schedule shall be retained until the investigation and related criminal prosecution by the

prosecuting attorney is completed/closed or the statute of limitations to bring charges has passed, whichever is sooner, and then destroyed

unless the investigation is considered major or significant.

For major or significant investigations, contact the Vermont State Archives and Records Administration (VSARA) for further appraisal; records must meet the criteria of major or significant in "Vermont Archival Records" to be identified as permanent (archival).

Registers or similar systems that provide for the systematic and regular recording of offense investigations shall be retained until the system is superseded and the appraised by the Vermont State Archives and Records Administration for continuing value.

Other records shall be retained as specified in this schedule with the exception of transitory records. Transitory records created or received as part of the offense investigation process shall be weeded as appropriate in accordance with SRS-1819.1000 (Law Enforcement Transitory Records).

Law enforcement agencies and prosecuting attorneys may enter into agreements to transfer legal and physical custody of investigation records from the law enforcement agency to the prosecuting attorney when investigations are completed and closed by the law enforcement agency. Upon transfer, the prosecuting attorney shall apply this record schedule to the investigation records in his or her custody.

Public Access: Redact

SPECIFIC RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS for SRS-1821.1100 (see APPENDIX E for related legal references)

Record Category/Type:	Applicability/Use:	Appraised Value:	Retention/Disposition:
SRS-1821.1100.24	Use for complaints, grievances, appeals, and similar records that initiate the investigation of a felony, misdemeanor, or delinquent act.	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed
Complaints			PLUS: 0 Year(s)
Public Access: <i>Redact</i>			THEN: Destroy (Shred)
SRS-1821.1100.133	Use for orders, reports, and similar records that document the	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed
Decisions	outcome of an investigation of a felony, misdemeanor or delinguent act. Includes substantive correspondence.		PLUS: 0 Year(s)
Public Access: <i>Redact</i>			THEN: Destroy (Shred)

SRS-1821.1100.32 Declarations Public Access: Redact	Use for formal statements intended to testify to a right or document a fact related to the investigation of a felony, misdemeanor or delinquent act.	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (Shred)
SRS-1821.1100.136 Evidence Public Access: <i>Redact</i>	Use for written or recorded information, including video recorded by a dash-mounted or body-mounted camera, gathered as part of an investigation or for presention at a judicial, quasi-judicial, or administrative adjudicative proceeding for the purpose of establishing the truth or falsity of an allegation of fact.	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (Shred)
SRS-1821.1100.81 Registers Public Access: Redact	Use for registers, databases, systems, and similar records that provide for the systematic and regular recording of activities related to the investigation of felonies, misdemeanors, and delinquent acts.	Conditional Archival	RETAIN UNTIL: Superseded PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Confirm
SRS-1821.1100.144 Reports Public Access: Redact	Use for formal statements of facts issued during and at the conclusion of an investigation of a felony, misdemeanor or delinquent act.	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (Shred)
SRS-1821.1100.121 Subpoenas Public Access: <i>Redact</i>	Use for written commands for sworn testimony at a specified time and place and/or for the production of or access to information related to the investigation of a felony, misdemeanor or delinquent act.	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (Shred)
SRS-1821.1100.36 Supporting material Public Access: <i>Redact</i>	Use for written or recorded information that supports, supplements, or complements the investigation of a felony, misdemeanor or delinquent act that is not specified elsewhere in this schedule.	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (Shred)
SRS-1821.1100.102 Warrants Public Access: <i>Redact</i>	Use for judicial writs authorizing a law enforcement officer to make a search, seizure, or arrest.	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (Shred)

SRS-1821.1100 was approved by the Vermont State Archivist on 5/20/2020.

SRS-1819.1102: Law Enforcement Administrative Policy Records

SRS-1819.1102: This schedule is reserved for recorded evidence of activities and transactions that relate to or affect, in a specific manner, the administration of a law enforcement agency and the formulation or development of policy. Does not include records of boards or committees administratively attached to a law enforcement agency.

Classification: Law enforcement agencies (Administrating)

Retention: Administrative policy records shall be retained by the law enforcement agency as specified in this schedule. Records appraised as permanent

(archival) shall be retained permanently.

Other records shall be retained as specified in this schedule with the exception of transitory records. Transitory records created or received by the law enforcement agency shall be weeded as appropriate in accordance with SRS-1819.1000 (Law Enforcement Transitory Records).

Public Access: Review

Record Category/Type:	Applicability/Use:	Appraised Value:	Retention/Disposition
SRS-1819.1102.5	Use for formal agreements entered into by the law enforcement	Permanent (Archival)	RETAIN UNTIL: Expired
Agreements	agency, such as interagency agreements and memorandums of understanding. Includes significant supporting material. Use		PLUS: 3 Year(s)
Public Access: <i>Review</i>	"Grants" for agreements and supporting materials related to awards from a Federal or other agency.		THEN: Archives
SRS-1819.1102.141	Use for written permissions required by law from the law enforcement agency to allow recipients to gain certain rights or privileges or perform specific activities.	Permanent (Archival)	RETAIN UNTIL: Expired
Authorizations			PLUS: 3 Year(s)
Public Access: <i>Review</i>			THEN: Archives
SRS-1819.1102.19	Use for calendars of the law enforcement agency's official	Permanent (Archival)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed
Calendars	meetings and events.		PLUS: 3 Year(s)
Public Access: <i>Review</i>			THEN: Archives
SRS-1819.1102.53	Use for any correspondence produced or received by the law	Permanent (Archival)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed
Correspondence (Substantive)	enforcement agency that has significant administrative value and/or is essential in supporting policy decisions.		PLUS: 3 Year(s)
Public Access: Review	and/or to essential in supporting policy decisions.		THEN: Archives

SRS-1819.1102.32 Declarations Public Access: Review	Use for official statements made by the law enforcement agency. Includes formal opinions and similar written documents that set forth the basis of authority; the scope of activities of the agency; and/or defines the obligations, liabilities, duties, and rights of those affected. Includes significant supporting material.	Permanent (Archival)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 3 Year(s) THEN: Archives
SRS-1819.1102.173 Grants Public Access: General	Use for awards of financial assistance from a Federal or other agency to the law enforcement agency to carry out a public purpose of support or stimulation authorized by a law. Includes cost reimbursement contracts and similar agreements with the granting agency. Starting date of retention period is based on the day the single or last expenditure report is submitted to the awarding agency for the funding period specified in the grant award. For grant proposals and reports that have significant administrative value, use "Reports."	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 3 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (General)
SRS-1819.1102.50 Notices, Legal Public Access: General	Use for formal announcements, notifications, or warnings issued by the law enforcement agency that are required by law.	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 1 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (Shred)
SRS-1819.1102.69 Plans (reports) Public Access: Review	Use for strategic plans and similar planning documents documenting the goals, objectives and plans for the law enforcement agency. Includes significant supporting material.	Permanent (Archival)	RETAIN UNTIL: Superseded PLUS: 3 Year(s) THEN: Archives
SRS-1819.1102.70 Policies Public Access: <i>Review</i>	Use for written statements that outline guiding principles or general courses of action of the law enforcement agency. Includes significant supporting material.	Permanent (Archival)	RETAIN UNTIL: Superseded PLUS: 3 Year(s) THEN: Archives
SRS-1819.1102.72 Press releases Public Access: General	Use for official or authoritative statements distributed to the press that relate to the administration of the law enforcement agency or the formulation or development of policy.	Permanent (Archival)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 3 Year(s) THEN: Archives
SRS-1819.1102.73 Procedures Public Access: General	Use for sets of substantive instructions or procedures that govern the administration of the law enforcement agency. Does not include rules adopted pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act.	Permanent (Archival)	RETAIN UNTIL: Superseded PLUS: 3 Year(s) THEN: Archives

SRS-1819.1102.144 Reports Public Access: General	Use for annual and similar reports documenting activities and accomplishments of the law enforcement agency. Includes significant supporting material.	Permanent (Archival)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 3 Year(s) THEN: Archives
SRS-1819.1102.116 Studies Public Access: General	Use for studies conducted by or for the law enforcement agency that relate to the administration of the law enforcement agency and/or the formulation or development of policy. Includes significant supporting material.	Permanent (Archival)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 3 Year(s) THEN: Archives

SRS-1819.1102 was approved by the Vermont State Archivist on 5/20/2020.

SRS-1819.1103: Law Enforcement Operational / Managerial Records

SRS-1819.1103: This schedule is reserved for recorded evidence of activities and transactions that relate to or affect, in a specific manner, the day-to-day operations of a law enforcement agency and internal workflows and processes. Does not include rulemaking pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act.

Classification: Law enforcement agencies (Managing)

Retention: Operational plans, reports, and studies shall be retained until completed/closed plus three (3) years, then destroyed.

Other records shall be retained as specified in this schedule with the exception of transitory records. Transitory records created or received during day-to-day operations of a law enforcement agency shall be weeded as appropriate in accordance with SRS-1819.1000 (Law Enforcement

Transitory Records).

Public Access: General

Record Category/Type:	Applicability/Use:	Appraised Value:	Retention/Disposition
SRS-1819.1103.5	Use for informal agreements concerning internal and	Temporary (Administrative)	RETAIN UNTIL: Expired
Agreements	interagency coordination, general management, internal workflows and/or processes. Includes relevant supporting		PLUS: 3 Year(s)
Public Access: General	material.		THEN: Destroy (General)
SRS-1819.1103.19	Use for schedules of meetings and related events.	Temporary (Administrative)	RETAIN UNTIL: Calendar Year Ends
Calendars			PLUS: 1 Year(s)
Public Access: General			THEN: Destroy (General)
SRS-1819.1103.145	Use for written or recorded information, including stand-by and non-incident video recorded by a dash-mounted or body-mounted camera, of the performance and day-to-day activities of a law enforcement officer or a device used for law enforcement purposes.	Temporary (Administrative)	RETAIN UNTIL: Obsolete
Logs			PLUS: 0 Year(s)
Public Access: <i>General</i>			THEN: Destroy (General)
SRS-1819.1103.69	Use for planning documents related to day-to-day operations,	Temporary (Administrative)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed
Plans (reports)	internal workflows and processes. Includes relevant supporting material.		PLUS: 3 Year(s)
Public Access: General	material.		THEN: Destroy (General)

SRS-1819.1103.73 Procedures	Use for sets of instructions and directives that govern general management and/or internal workflows and processes. Includes relevant supporting material.	Temporary (Administrative)	RETAIN UNTIL: Superseded PLUS: 3 Year(s)
Public Access: General			THEN: Destroy (General)
SRS-1819.1103.144	Use for internal reports, including statistical reports, that are	Temporary (Administrative)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed
Reports	used to communicate and/or document general management, internal workflows and processes. Includes relevant supporting material.		PLUS: 3 Year(s)
Public Access: <i>General</i>			THEN: Destroy (General)
SRS-1819.1103.116	Use for studies and other evaluations conducted by or for an	Temporary (Administrative)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed
Studies	agency or program that relate to general management, internal workflows and processes. Includes relevant supporting material.		PLUS: 3 Year(s)
Public Access: General			THEN: Destroy (General)

SRS-1819.1103 was approved by the Vermont State Archivist on 5/20/2020.

SRS-1819.1000: Law Enforcement Transitory Records

SRS-1819.1000: This schedule is reserved for records that are created and received in the course of business of a law enforcement agency that are transitory in nature meaning that that they are: (1) are only needed for a limited period of time in order to complete a routine action or prepare or update a formal or ongoing record; (2) not subject to any legal recordkeeping requirements, explicit or implied; and (3) administratively obsolete after a specific action or process is complete.

Classification: Law enforcement agencies (GENERAL)

Retention: Transitory records shall be retained by the law enforcement agency as specified in this schedule and in accordance with the law enforcement

agency's internal records and information management policy.

Public Access: General

Record Category/Type:	Applicability/Use:	Appraised Value:	Retention/Disposition
SRS-1819.1000.187	Use for blank forms or other pre-printed worksheets that have	Temporary (Administrative)	RETAIN UNTIL: Obsolete
Blanks	no markings, are not written or printed on and have not been filled out.		PLUS: 0 Year(s)
Public Access: General			THEN: Destroy (General)
SRS-1819.1000.28	Use for any correspondence, produced or received, that is	Temporary (Administrative)	RETAIN UNTIL: Obsolete
Correspondence (Routine)	routine in nature and not subject to any specific legal requirements. Includes transmittal letters that do not add information to that contained in the transmitted material and correspondence from other agencies that is received for general information purposes only.		PLUS: 0 Year(s)
Public Access: <i>General</i>			THEN: Destroy (General)
SRS-1819.1000.37	Use for preliminary or tentative versions of a document. Drafts	Temporary (Administrative)	RETAIN UNTIL: Obsolete
Drafts	that are acted upon or put into practice must be retained according to their intended record type (i.e. policies) as listed in		PLUS: 0 Year(s)
Public Access: <i>General</i>	another agency-specific record schedule.		THEN: Destroy (General)
SRS-1819.1000.60	Use for brief statements of a fact or experience, written down	Temporary (Administrative)	RETAIN UNTIL: Obsolete
Notes	for review, or as an aid to memory, or to inform someone else. Includes short, informal notes such as phone messages.		PLUS: 0 Year(s)
Public Access: <i>General</i>			THEN: Destroy (General)

SRS-1819.1000.74 Publications Public Access: General	Use for reproduced or published material received from other offices which require no action and are not required for documentary purposes. Includes catalogues, trade journals, other publications or papers received which require no action and are not part of a case upon which action is being taken or will be taken.	Temporary (Administrative)	RETAIN UNTIL: Obsolete PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (General)
SRS-1819.1000.80 Reference sources Public Access: <i>General</i>	Use for sources of information that were intended primarily for consultation and, if used to prepare or update a formal or ongoing record, are cited as needed. Includes duplicate, informational, extra, unofficial, or informal copies of records that were kept only for convenience or quick reference.	Temporary (Administrative)	RETAIN UNTIL: Obsolete PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (General)
SRS-1819.1000.139 Requests Public Access: General	Use for requests and responses for forms, publications, records, and other agency information that do not require administration review before, or further action after, the form, publication, record, or other agency information is provided.	Temporary (Administrative)	RETAIN UNTIL: Obsolete PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (General)
SRS-1819.1000.104 Worksheets Public Access: General	Use for forms, checklists and other worksheets used to prepare or update a formal or ongoing record or informally track workflow.	Temporary (Administrative)	RETAIN UNTIL: Obsolete PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (General)

SRS-1819.1000 was approved by the Vermont State Archivist on 5/20/2020.

SRS-1818.1129: Vermont Civil Violation Complaints

SRS-1818.1129: This schedule is reserved for recorded evidence of activities and transactions that relate to or affect, in a specific manner, the investigation and prosecution of complaints related to traffic, municipal ordinances, fish and wildlife, littering and illegal dumping, or other matters authorized by statute that are filed on a form approved by the Court Administrator under 4 V.S.A. § 1105.

Classification: Complaints (Prosecuting)

Retention: With the exception of registers, retain all records until the case is completed/closed and then destroy.

Registers or similar systems that provide for the systematic and regular recording of activities related to the investigation and prosecution of complaints shall be retained until the system is superseded and then appraised by the Vermont State Archives and Records Administration for continuing value.

Other records shall be retained as specified in this schedule with the exception of transitory records. Transitory records created or received during the investigation or prosecution of a complaint shall be weeded as appropriate in accordance with SRS-1819.1000 (Law Enforcement Transitory Records.)

Public Access: Redact

SPECIFIC RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS for SRS-1818.1129 (see APPENDIX E for related legal references)

Record Category/Type:	Applicability/Use:	Appraised Value:	Retention/Disposition:
SRS-1818.1129.24	Use for the issuing law enforcement officer's signed copy of the complaint form that sets forth the basis upon which a person is charged with a violation.	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed
Complaints			PLUS: 0 Year(s)
Public Access: <i>Redact</i>	-		THEN: Destroy (Shred)
SRS-1818.1129.32	Use for formal statements intended to testify to a right or document a fact related to the investigation and/or prosecution of a complaint.	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed
Declarations			PLUS: 0 Year(s)
Public Access: <i>Redact</i>			THEN: Destroy (Shred)
SRS-1818.1129.136	Use for written or recorded information, including video recorded by a dash-mounted or body-mounted camera, gathered as part of an investigation of a complaint for	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed
Evidence			PLUS: 0 Year(s)
Public Access: Redact	presention at a judicial, quasi-judicial, or administrative adjudicative proceeding for the purpose of establishing the truth or falsity of an allegation of fact.		THEN: Destroy (Shred)

SRS-1818.1129.63 Orders Public Access: Redact	Use for directions or commands delivered by a judicial, quasi- judicial, or administrative adjudicative body related to the investigation and/or prosecution of a complaint. Includes warrants.	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (Shred)
SRS-1818.1129.67 Petitions	Use for formal written applications or motions made to a judicial, quasi-judicial, or administrative adjudicative body related to the investigation and/or prosecution of a complaint.	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 0 Year(s)
Public Access: Redact	related to the investigation and/or prosecution of a complaint.		THEN: Destroy (Shred)
SRS-1818.1129.81 Registers Public Access: <i>Redact</i>	Use for registers, databases, systems, and similar records that provide for the systematic and regular recording of activities related to the investigation and prosecution of complaints	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Superseded PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Confirm
SRS-1818.1129.144 Reports Public Access: <i>Redact</i>	Use for written or recorded reports related to the investigation and/or prosecution of a complaint. Includes incident reports.	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (Shred)
SRS-1818.1129.121 Subpoenas Public Access: Redact	Use for written commands for sworn testimony at a specified time and place and/or for the production of or access to information related to the investigation and/or prosecution of a complaint.	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (Shred)
SRS-1818.1129.36 Supporting material Public Access: Redact	Use for written or recorded information that supports, supplements, or complements the investigation and prosecution of a complaint that is not specified elsewhere in this schedule.	Temporary (Administrative)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (Shred)
SRS-1818.1129.150 Waivers Public Access: <i>Redact</i>	Use for waivers related to the investigation and/or prosecution of a complaint.	Temporary (Legal)	RETAIN UNTIL: Completed/Closed PLUS: 0 Year(s) THEN: Destroy (Shred)

SRS-1818.1129 was approved by the Vermont State Archivist on 5/20/2020.

Appendix A: Appraisal Values

An appraisal value establishes the usefulness or importance of a record after its original purpose has passed. The value of a record also dictates how it must be disposed after retention requirements are met (also see "Retention Requirements"). The appraisal values below represent categories of values that may be assigned to records following the record appraisal process. See "Vermont Archival Records" in the Archives and Records Management Handbook for conditions a record must meet to be appraised as "archival."

Appraisal Value	Description	Usage
Conditional Archival	Records may have archival value.	Assigned to records that meet the conditions of a "Vermont Archival Record" under special conditions.
Permanent (Archival)	Records have archival value.	Assigned to records that meet the conditions of a "Vermont Archival Record" and are therefore permanent (archival) records.
Temporary (Administrative)	Records have temporary administrative value.	Assigned to records that do not meet the conditions of a "Vermont Archival Record" but are needed for administrative reasons.
Temporary (Legal)	Records have temporary legal value.	Assigned to records that do not meet the conditions of a "Vermont Archival Record" but have legal requirements governing their retention.
Unappraised	Default value for records that have not been appraised.	Assigned to records that have not been appraised and do not yet have retention or disposition requirements.

Appendix B: Public Access Requirements

A public access requirement is the availability of a record for public use and inspection pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § § 315-320. Unless exempt from public inspection and copying pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 317, records are expected to be promptly produced for public inspection upon request. Public agencies shall follow the procedure outlined in 1 V.S.A. § 318. The access requirements below represent actions agencies must take based on specific laws associated with the accessibility of their records. With general record schedules, the default requirement is always REVIEW unless it is clear that certain records or information within a record are exempt from public use and inspection pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 317. Agencies using general record schedules should defer to their internal policies for specific access requirements.

Access	Description	Usage
Exempt	Records shall not be provided for free and open examination pursuant to 1 V.S.A. §§ 315-320.	Assigned to records that are wholly exempt from public use and inspection pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 317.
General	Records may be provided for free and open examination pursuant to 1 V.S.A. §§ 315-320.	Assigned to records that are not exempt from public inspection and copying pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 317.
Redact	Records contain specific information that shall not be provided for free and open examination pursuant to 1 V.S.A. §§ 315-320.	Assigned to records that contain specific information that is exempt from public inspection and copying pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 317 and require exempt information to be redacted from the records prior to public use, inspection and/or copying.
Review	Records may be provided for free and open examination pursuant to 1 V.S.A. §§ 315-320 but not always. Default value for general schedules, which require agencies to establish internal policies.	Assigned to records that are generally not exempt from public inspection and copying pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 317 but, in limited circumstances, may be exempt. Internal review and/or policy is required.

Appendix C: Retention Requirements

A retention requirement is the length of time a record must be retained by an agency before it may be destroyed or transferred to the State Archives or an agency archives (also see "Disposition Requirements"). The retention requirements below represent events or triggers that cause records to move from an active to inactive state. An "event" is tied to a specific time requirement: i.e. Retain Until "Calendar Year Ends" PLUS 3 Years.

Retention	Description	Usage
Audit Complete	Retain until an audit or verification is complete.	Assigned to records that are actively used or needed until the information contained therein has been audited or verified.
Calendar Year Ends	Retain until the end of the calendar year.	Assigned to records that are actively used or needed until the end of the calendar year.
Completed/Closed	Retain until the activity or process supported by the record is completed.	Assigned to records that are actively used or needed until the activity is formally completed, closed, or finalized (includes appeals).
Expired	Retain until the conditions or requirements supported by the record are satisfied and no further action is needed.	Assigned to records that are actively used or needed until the conditions or requirements are satisfied and complete.
Fiscal Year Ends	Retain until the end of the fiscal year.	Assigned to records that are actively used or needed until the end of the fiscal year.
Life of Asset Ends	Retain for the life of the person, structure, object, organization, etc. that is the subject of the record.	Assigned to records that are actively used or needed for the life of person, structure, object, organization, etc.
Obsolete	Retain until the record is no longer needed and is valueless.	Assigned to records that have limited administrative value and may be purged when they no longer have any administrative value. Agency must develop internal policy that states when records no longer have administrative value.
Superseded	Retain until the record is superseded, updated, or revised.	Assigned to records that will be superseded, updated, or revised.

Appendix D: Disposition Requirements

A disposition requirement is how an agency must dispose of a record from its legal custody once retention requirements have been met. Disposition is based on the record's appraisal value. If the record has been appraised as non-archival it will be destroyed after retention requirements are met. If appraised as archival the record will be transferred to the State Archives or agency archives for permanent preservation and access. The disposition requirements below represent actions that an agency must take once a record has met its retention requirements.

Disposition	Description	Usage
Archives	Retain permanently. These records are eligible for transfer to the State Archives or agency archives.	Assigned to records that have been appraised as having archival value and are therefore permanent records.
Confirm	Confirm disposition with the Vermont State Archives and Records Administration after retention requirement has been met.	Assigned to records that are maintained in a centralized database or information system or are appraised as conditional archival.
Destroy (General)	Destroy by recycling or deleting the record.	Assigned to records that have been appraised as non-archival and are not exempt from public access. Agency discretion advised for general record schedules.
Destroy (Shred)	Destroy by shredding (includes electronic shredding).	Assigned to records that have been appraised as non-archival and are exempt from public access or contain sensitive information.
Unappraised	Default value for records that have not been appraised.	Assigned to records that have not been appraised and do not yet have retention or disposition requirements.
Weed	Separate records that meet the conditions of a "Vermont Archival Record" from those that do not (temporary).	Assigned to records that have been appraised as conditional archival. Upon weeding the temporary records from the archival records, transfer archival records to Archives and destroy temporary records.

Appendix E: Legal References

SRS-1821.1100:	Criminal Investigations	Review for Exemption?
1 V.S.A. § 317	Definitions; public agency; public records and documents	Yes
10 V.S.A. § 4198	Police powers; training; state game wardens; deputy game wardens	No
12 V.S.A. § 691	Service of civil or criminal process	No
13 V.S.A. § 1023	Simple assault	No
13 V.S.A. § 1024	Aggravated assault	No
13 V.S.A. § 1026	Disorderly conduct	No
13 V.S.A. § 1027	Disturbing peace by use of telephone or other electronic communications	No
13 V.S.A. § 1028	Assault of protected professional; assault with bodily fluids	No
13 V.S.A. § 1030	Violation of an abuse prevention order, an order against stalking or sexual assault protective order concerning contact with a child	t, or a No
13 V.S.A. § 1043	First degree aggravated domestic assault	No
13 V.S.A. § 1044	Second degree aggravated domestic assault	No
13 V.S.A. § 1063	Aggravated stalking	No
13 V.S.A. § 1101	Bribing public officers or employees	No
13 V.S.A. § 1102	Public officers or employees accepting bribes	No
13 V.S.A. § 1104	Triers of causes accepting bribes	No
13 V.S.A. § 1106	Kickbacks; purchasing supplies	No
13 V.S.A. § 1107	Kickbacks; granting licenses	No
13 V.S.A. § 1108	Kickbacks; private corporations	No

13 V.S.A. § 1201	Burglary	No
13 V.S.A. § 1311	Unlawful sheltering; aiding a runaway child	No
13 V.S.A. § 1376	Abuse	No
13 V.S.A. § 1377	Abuse by unlawful restraint and unlawful confinment	No
13 V.S.A. § 1378	Neglect [related to abuse, neglect, and exploitation of vulnerable adults]	No
13 V.S.A. § 1379	Sexual abuse	No
13 V.S.A. § 1380	Financial exploitation	No
13 V.S.A. § 1404	Conspiracy	No
13 V.S.A. § 1455	Hate-motivated crimes	No
13 V.S.A. § 1501	Escape and attempts to escape	No
13 V.S.A. § 1502	Unlawfully aiding prisoners	No
13 V.S.A. § 1753	False alarms and reports	No
13 V.S.A. § 1754	False reports to law enforcement authorities	No
13 V.S.A. § 1804	Counterfeiting paper money	No
13 V.S.A. § 1807	Making or repairing tools for counterfeit money	No
13 V.S.A. § 2001	False personation	No
13 V.S.A. § 2002	False pretenses or tokens	No
13 V.S.A. § 2021	Telecommunicaions fraud and facilitation of telecommunications fraud	No
13 V.S.A. § 2024	Workers' compensation fraud; criminal penalties	No
13 V.S.A. § 2031	Insurance fraud	No
13 V.S.A. § 2301	Murder-degrees defined	No

13 V.S.A. § 2406	Unlawful restraint in the second degree	No
13 V.S.A. § 2531	Embezzlement generally	No
13 V.S.A. § 2532	Officer or servant of incorporated bank [related to larceny and embezzlement]	No
13 V.S.A. § 2533	Receiver or trustee [related to larceny and embezzlement]	No
13 V.S.A. § 2534	Executor or administrator [related to larceny and embezzlement]	No
13 V.S.A. § 2535	Guardian [related to larceny and embezzlement]	No
13 V.S.A. § 2536	Carrier [related to larceny and embezzlement]	No
13 V.S.A. § 2537	Person holding property in official capacity or belonging to the state or a municipality [related to larceny and embezzlement]	No
13 V.S.A. § 2539	Pleading and proof of money embezzled and time of offense	No
13 V.S.A. § 2561	Penalty for receiving stolen property; venue	No
13 V.S.A. § 2575	Offense of retail theft	No
13 V.S.A. § 2592	Failure to return a rented or leased motor vehicle	No
13 V.S.A. § 2601a	Prohibited conduct	No
13 V.S.A. § 2602	Lewd or lascivious conduct with child	No
13 V.S.A. § 2605	Voyeurism	No
13 V.S.A. § 2632	Prostitution	No
13 V.S.A. § 2652	Human trafficking	No
13 V.S.A. § 2653	Aggravated human trafficking	No
13 V.S.A. § 2802b	Minor electronically disseminating indecent material to another person	No
13 V.S.A. § 2827	Possession of child pornography	No
13 V.S.A. § 3019	Disarming a law enforcement officer	No

13 V.S.A. § 3252	Sexual assault	No
13 V.S.A. § 3257	Sexual exploitation of an inmate	No
13 V.S.A. § 3701	Unlawful mischief [related to injuries to buildings and their appurtenances]	No
13 V.S.A. § 3705	Unlawful trespass	No
13 V.S.A. § 4103	Access to computer for fraudulent purposes	No
13 V.S.A. § 4501	Limitation of prosecutions for certain crimes	No
13 V.S.A. § 5314	Information from law enforcement agency	No
13 V.S.A. § 5561	Petition for postconviction DNA testing	No
13 V.S.A. § 5585	Electronic recording of a custodial interrogation	No
13 V.S.A. § 8002	Definitions [related to uniform collateral consequences of conviction]	No
13 V.S.A. § 8013	Issuance, modification, and revocation of order of limited relief and certificate of restoration of rights	No
13 V.S.A. § 8102	Limitations on compelled production of electronic information	No
13 V.S.A. § 8106	Service provider's response to warrant	No
15 V.S.A. § 1151	Definitions [related to address confidentiality for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking]	No
18 V.S.A. § 4052	Manufacture, sale, delivery; prohibitions [related to labeling for marketing and sale]	No
18 V.S.A. § 4234b	Ephedrine and pseudoephedrine [related to regulated drugs]	No
18 V.S.A. § 4249	Transportation of alcohol, tobacco, or regulated drugs into places of detention	No
18 V.S.A. § 5201	Permits; removal of bodies; cremation; waiting period; investigation into circumstances of death	No
18 V.S.A. § 5205	Death certificate when no attending physician and in other circumstances; autopsy	Yes
20 V.S.A. § 1817	Reports of law enforcement officer; accidents involving liquor	No

20 V.S.A. § 1938	Storage and use of samples and records [related to state dna database and state data bank]	No
20 V.S.A. § 2061	Fingerprinting [related to Vermont Criminal Information Center]	No
20 V.S.A. § 2366	Law enforcement agencies; fair and impartial policing policy; race date collection	No
20 V.S.A. § 2401	Definitions [related to Vermont Criminal Justice Training Council]	No
20 V.S.A. § 4622	Law enforcement use of drones	No
23 V.S.A. § 1091	Negligent operation; grossly negligent operation	No
23 V.S.A. § 1133	Eluding a police officer [related to operation of vehicles]	No
23 V.S.A. § 2083	Other offenses [related to anti-theft provisions and penalties]	No
23 V.S.A. § 3024	Penalties [related to diesel fuel tax]	No
23 V.S.A. § 3305	Fees [related to motorboats]	No
23 V.S.A. § 3306	Lights and equipment [related to motorboats]	No
23 V.S.A. § 3312	Operations rules as between vessels [related to motorboats]	No
23 V.S.A. § 3315	Water skis and surfboards	No
23 V.S.A. § 3829	Altering, forging or counterfeiting certificates [related to tilting of vessels, snowmobiles, and all-terrain vehicles]	No
23 V.S.A. § 421	Penalties [related to nonresident and zone registration]	No
23 V.S.A. § 601	License required [related to operators' licenses]	No
23 V.S.A. § 614	Rights under license [related to motor vehicles]	No
24 V.S.A. § 1931	Police officers [related to police]	No
24 V.S.A. § 1935	Powers [related to police]	No
24 V.S.A. § 1936a	Constables; powers and qualifications	No
26 V.S.A. § 4102	Prohibition [related to tattooists and body piercers]	No

26 V.S.A. § 4603	Prohibition; penalty	No
28 V.S.A. § 204	Submission of written report; protection of records [related to probation]	Yes
3 V.S.A. § 167	Public funds investigation special fund	No
32 V.S.A. § 5894	Liability for failure or delinquency [related to income taxes]	No
33 V.S.A. § 4915	Assessment and investigation [related to suspected child abuse or neglect]	No
33 V.S.A. § 4921	Department's records of abuse and neglect [related to reporting abuse of children]	Yes
7 V.S.A. § 658	Penalties [related to alcoholic beverages]	No
7 V.S.A. § 661	Violations of title	No
9 V.S.A. § 2480k	Complaints to law enforcement agencies [related to consumer protection]	No
9 V.S.A. § 2435	Notice of security breaches	Yes
9 V.S.A. § 3885	Records of a precious metal dealer	No
9 V.S.A. § 4043	Fradulent use [related to credit cards]	No
V.R.Cr.P. 16	Discovery by defendant	Yes

SRS-1819.1102: Lav	v Enforcement Administrative Policy Records	Review for Exemption?
1 V.S.A. § 315	Statement of policy; short title [related to access to public records]	Yes
1 V.S.A. § 316	Access to public records and documents	No
1 V.S.A. § 317	Definitions; public agency; public records and documents	Yes
1 V.S.A. § 318	Procedure [related to access to public records]	No
1 V.S.A. § 319	Enforcement [related to access to public records]	No
1 V.S.A. § 320	Penalties [related to access to public records]	No
13 V.S.A. § 5411c	Active community notification by the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Corrections, and local law enforcement	No

13 V.S.A. § 5581	Eyewitness identification policy	No
20 V.S.A. § 2366	Law enforcement agencies; fair and impartial policing policy; race date collection	No
20 V.S.A. § 2367	Statewide policy; electronic control devices; reporting	No
24 V.S.A. § 1931	Police officers [related to police]	No
24 V.S.A. § 1937	Reciprocal assistance agreements [related to police]	No
24 V.S.A. § 1938	Intermunicipal police services; purpose; agreements	No
SRS-1819.1103:	Law Enforcement Operational / Managerial Records	Review for Exemption?
1 V.S.A. § 315	Statement of policy; short title [related to access to public records]	Yes
1 V.S.A. § 316	Access to public records and documents	No
1 V.S.A. § 317	Definitions; public agency; public records and documents	Yes
1 V.S.A. § 318	Procedure [related to access to public records]	No
1 V.S.A. § 319	Enforcement [related to access to public records]	No
1 V.S.A. § 320	Penalties [related to access to public records]	No
20 V.S.A. § 1823	Dissemination of missing person report	No
20 V.S.A. § 2366	Law enforcement agencies; fair and impartial policing policy; race date collection	No
20 V.S.A. § 2367	Statewide policy; electronic control devices; reporting	No
SRS-1819.1000:	Law Enforcement Transitory Records	Review for Exemption?
1 V.S.A. § 315	Statement of policy; short title [related to access to public records]	Yes
1 V.S.A. § 316	Access to public records and documents	No
1 V.S.A. § 317	Definitions; public agency; public records and documents	Yes
1 V.S.A. § 318	Procedure [related to access to public records]	No

1 V.S.A. § 319	Enforcement [related to access to public records]	No
1 V.S.A. § 320	Penalties [related to access to public records]	No

SRS-1818.1129:	Vermont Civil Violation Complaints	Review for Exemption?
1 V.S.A. § 317	Definitions; public agency; public records and documents	Yes
10 App. V.S.A. § 116	Atlantic salmon management in Connecticut River	No
10 App. V.S.A. § 2	Report, big game	No
10 App. V.S.A. § 22	Turkey seasons	No
10 App. V.S.A. § 23	Methods of taking, possessing and transporting migratory game birds	No
10 App. V.S.A. § 31	Seasons, bag limits	No
10 App. V.S.A. § 37	Deer management rule	No
10 App. V.S.A. § 44	Furbearing species	No
10 App. V.S.A. § 7	Bear management rule	No
10 V.S.A. § 1454	Transport of aquatic plants and aquatic nuisance species	No
10 V.S.A. § 4251	Taking wild animals and fish; license	No
10 V.S.A. § 4280	Taking wildlife during a period of license suspension	No
10 V.S.A. § 4521	Failure to stop [related to conservation and development]	No
10 V.S.A. § 4605	Placing fish in waters; fish importation permits	No
10 V.S.A. § 4606	Taking fish by unlawful means	No
10 V.S.A. § 4701	Use of gun, bow and arrow, and crossbow; legal day; dogs	No
10 V.S.A. § 4702	Use of light [related to game]	No
10 V.S.A. § 4705	Shooting from motor vehicles or aircraft; shooting from or across highway; permit	No

10 V.S.A. § 4706	Snaring animals	No
10 V.S.A. § 4707	Traps; notice [related to game]	No
10 V.S.A. § 4713	Tree stands; ground blinds	No
10 V.S.A. § 4715	Remote-control hunting	No
10 V.S.A. § 4745	Taking big game out of season prohibited; time	No
10 V.S.A. § 4747	Big game taken by illegal means [related to deer]	No
10 V.S.A. § 4751	Swimming deer [related to game]	No
10 V.S.A. § 4781	Big game; possession	No
10 V.S.A. § 4783	Purchase and sale of big game	No
10 V.S.A. § 4784	Transportation of big game	No
10 V.S.A. § 6612	Penalties [related to waste management]	No
10 V.S.A. 4521	Taking wild animals and fish; license	No
13 V.S.A. § 354	Enforcement; possession of abused animal; searches and seizures; forfeiture	No
13 V.S.A. § 3738	Obstruction and use of private roads and lands by motor vehicles	No
16 V.S.A. § 570	Harrassment, hazing, and bullying prevention policies [related to school districts]	No
20 V.S.A. § 1817	Reports of law enforcement officer; accidents involving liquor	No
20 V.S.A. § 2366	Law enforcement agencies; fair and impartial policing policy; race date collection	No
20 V.S.A. § 2401	Definitions [related to Vermont Criminal Justice Training Council]	No
20 V.S.A. § 3621	Issuance of warrant to impound, destroy; complaint	No
20 V.S.A. § 3622	Form of warrant	No
20 V.S.A. § 3623	Constable to make complaints	No

20 V.S.A. § 3806	Confining or impounding a domestic pet or wolf-hybrid	No
23 V.S.A. § 1004	Interstate highway rules	No
23 V.S.A. § 1007	Local speed limits	No
23 V.S.A. § 1012	Obedience to enforcement officers	No
23 V.S.A. § 1033	Passing motor vehicles and vulnerable users	No
23 V.S.A. § 1039	Following too closely, crowding, and harrassment [related to use of roadway]	No
23 V.S.A. § 1048	Stop or yield intersections	No
23 V.S.A. § 1050	Operation on approach of law enforcement and emergency vehicles	No
23 V.S.A. § 1072	Certain vehicles must stop	No
23 V.S.A. § 1076	Commercial motor vehicles; railroad crossings	No
23 V.S.A. § 1081	Basic rule and maximum limits [related to speed restrictions]	No
23 V.S.A. § 1095	Entertainment picture visible to the operator	No
23 V.S.A. § 1104	Stopping prohibited [related to operation of vehicles]	No
23 V.S.A. § 1129	Accidents-reports [related to operation of vehicles]	No
23 V.S.A. § 1134	Motor vehicle operator; consumption or possession of alcohol or marijuana	No
23 V.S.A. § 1134a	Motor vehicle passenger; consumption or possession of alcohol or marijuana	No
23 V.S.A. § 1216	Persons under 21 years of age; alcohol concentration of 0.02 or more	No
23 V.S.A. § 1283	Identification and equipment of school buses	No
23 V.S.A. § 1302	Rubber tires on trucks; number of trailers	No
23 V.S.A. § 1752	Parked vehicles	No
23 V.S.A. § 203	Counterfeiting, fraud, and misuse; penalty [related to provisions common to registration and operators' licenses]	No

23 V.S.A. § 2083	Other offenses [related to anti-theft provisions and penalties]	No
23 V.S.A. § 2302	Traffic violation defined	No
23 V.S.A. § 304a	Special registration plates and placards for people with disabilities	No
23 V.S.A. § 3205	Snowmobile equipment; windshield; use of headlight; illegal noise level	No
23 V.S.A. § 3305	Fees [related to motorboats]	No
23 V.S.A. § 3306	Lights and equipment [related to motorboats]	No
23 V.S.A. § 3312	Operations rules as between vessels [related to motorboats]	No
23 V.S.A. § 3315	Water skis and surfboards	No
23 V.S.A. § 3505	Equipment [related to all-terrain vehicles]	No
23 V.S.A. § 3509	Defacing identifying numbers; signs	No
23 V.S.A. § 3511	Accidents; duty to stop and report	No
23 V.S.A. § 4120	Penalties [related to commercial driver license act]	No
23 V.S.A. § 4125	Texting violations; handheld mobile telephone violations	No
23 V.S.A. § 601	License required [related to operators' licenses]	No
23 V.S.A. § 614	Rights under license [related to motor vehicles]	No
23 V.S.A. § 615	Unlicensed operators	No
23 V.S.A. § 800	Maintenance of financial responsibility	No
24 V.S.A. § 1931	Police officers [related to police]	No
24 V.S.A. § 1935	Powers [related to police]	No
24 V.S.A. § 1936a	Constables; powers and qualifications	No
4 V.S.A. § 1102	Judicial bureau; jurisdiction	No

4 V.S.A. § 1105	Answer to complaint; default	No
5 V.S.A. § 3734	Trespass on railroad property; penalty	No
7 V.S.A. § 658	Penalties [related to alcoholic beverages]	No
9 V.S.A. § 3885	Records of a precious metal dealer	No