

CHAPTER 3
PERMANENT RECORDS—TRANSFER PROCESS, CARE, AND ACCESS

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671—3.1(8A) Purpose. The department of administrative services administers the state archives of Iowa in order to preserve, protect, and make accessible those records of state government that have enduring value.
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671—3.2(8A) Identification of permanent records. The state records commission shall adopt records series retention and disposition schedules in accordance with 671—Chapter 2 to identify state government records that have enduring value.
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671—3.3(8A) Form to use. A Transfer of Custody of State Government Records to the State Archives of Iowa form obtained from the state archives and records bureau shall be used to transfer legal and physical custody of a record from an agency to the state archives of Iowa.
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671—3.4(8A) Agency responsibility.

3.4(1) A record that is scheduled for permanent preservation in the state archives of Iowa shall be transferred to the state archives of Iowa in accordance with established records series retention and disposition schedules. An agency records officer shall review, sign, and submit a properly completed Transfer of Custody of State Government Records to the State Archives of Iowa form to the state archives and records bureau for approval prior to the physical transfer of records from the agency.

3.4(2) A record scheduled for permanent preservation in an agency shall be retained in the agency in perpetuity. The agency shall maintain such a record in a manner that will ensure the continued availability of an accurate, authentic, and reliable record in perpetuity. The record shall be available for public inspection and copying in accordance with agency fair information practice rules.
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671—3.5(8A) State archives and records bureau responsibility.

3.5(1) The state archives and records bureau shall review and consider for approval a properly completed Transfer of Custody of State Government Records to the State Archives of Iowa form in a timely manner and will assist an agency in correcting an incomplete or inaccurate form.

3.5(2) After approving a form, the state archives and records bureau will arrange for physical transfer of records to the state archives of Iowa with the agency.

3.5(3) The state archives and records bureau shall establish and maintain inventory control of records transferred to the state archives of Iowa.

3.5(4) The department of administrative services shall provide a secure, environmentally appropriate storage area for all records transferred to its custody.
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671—3.6(8A) Care of and access to permanent records.

3.6(1) A record with enduring value shall be transferred to the state archives of Iowa in accordance with a state records commission adopted records series retention and disposition schedule. The state archives of Iowa shall provide a secure environment for the storage and use of these records so that they may be preserved and made available to future generations of researchers in accordance with Iowa Code section 8A.609.

3.6(2) Records transferred to the state archives of Iowa shall be cared for and administered in accordance with 223—Chapter 13.

3.6(3) Records transferred to the state archives of Iowa shall be made accessible to researchers in accordance with 223—Chapter 22.

3.6(4) The state archives and records bureau, with prior approval from the state archivist, may loan an agency record from the state archives of Iowa to an authorized agency user.

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