Government of Alberta

Service Alberta

Alberta Records Management Committee

Records Retention and Disposition Schedule

Organization Name Service Alberta ** All GoA **	Org Code SA **	Schedule Number/Status 2011/002-A002	
Program/Service Name: Damaged Records		Approved	

SCHEDULE ADMINISTRATION

Type:	Organization Chart:	
Continuing Schedule	External Documents:	
	Comments: N	
Related Schedule(s):		
Cancels/Replaces Schedule(s):		
2012/005 Salvageable Damaged Records		
Amendment History		
Number Amendment to	Date Approved Item(s)	
A001(Major) 2011/002	Sep 25, 2013 01, 02	
Reason for Amendment: Add item for unsalvageable, uncontaminated damaged records.		
A002(Minor) 2011/002-A001	Jul 17, 2020 01, 02	
Reason for Amendment: Update schedule title, item title, item scope notes, closure to a business activity and concurrence condition where appropriate		
Schedule Transfer History None		
Schedule Cancellation History		

SCHEDULE APPROVALS

Senior Program Manager: Original Signed by, Senior Program Manag	Date: Sep 30, 2010	
Senior Records Officer: Clarke, Garth Date: Jul 17, 2020		
ARMC Committee: Secretary, ARMC	Date: Jul 17, 2020	
APPROVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH RECORDS MANAGEMENT REGULATION (A.R. 224/2001) AND GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION ACT (R.S.A. 2000, Chapter G-10, Schedule 11)		

PROGRAM/SERVICE INFORMATION

Purpose/Function

To manage the records disposition of physically damaged records which may or not be contaminated. The application of this schedule is as follows:

- · Damaged Records Contaminated
 - o Exposure to harmful substance (e.g. sewage, untreated flood water, chemicals, mouse feces and/or urine, asbestos, etc.)
 - o Poses a risk to human health and the records cannot be reasonably treated or restored

- · Damaged Records Uncontaminated
 - o Exposure to clean water cannot be mitigated (e.g. mould caused by clean water) and restored to usefulness for the following reasons:
 - § A cost-benefit analysis and risk assessment were completed that determined the records had minimal business value, the cost to restore them is prohibitive, and the risk to the ministry of destroying them would be negligible.
 - § Records are not responsive to ongoing litigation or an outstanding FOIP request.

The *Records Management Regulation*[s.10(4)]stipulates that records can only be disposed of in accordance with the terms and conditions of an approved records retention and disposition schedule.

When damage records are not covered by an approved schedule or have not met its closure and retention requirements of the applicable approved ministry schedule, this schedule will apply.

Brief History

Prior to the approval of Schedule #2011/002, ministries were required to report the disposal of unsalvageable damaged records to the Alberta Records Management Committee (ARMC) as an "inadvertent destruction of records." The ARMC determined that this practice did not adequately comply with the requirements of the *Records Management Regulation* and that a retention schedule authorizing the disposal of unsalvageable damaged records that ministries could use, was required.

Mandate/Legal Authority

Records Management Regulation (AR 224/2001)

OPINIONS

No Opinions Requested.

SCHEDULE ITEMS

01 * Damaged Records - Contaminated

This refers to damaged records that are contaminated by a harmful substance (e.g. sewage, untreated flood water, chemicals, mouse feces and/or urine, asbestos, etc.) in a quantity sufficient to pose a risk to human health and the contamination cannot be reasonably mitigated by treatment or restoration of the records.

Date Range: Ongoing

Media:
Other: All media
Legal Reference:

FOIP Ref:

Closure Criteria: Ministry implements the decision to not recover the affected records	Retention On-site: 0 Year(s)	Retention Off-site: 0 Year(s)
Concurrence Conditions: Final Disposition: Destroy		

Items to be cancelled:

None

Reason for Amendment A002: Revised the item title and descriptor, and updated the closure criteria and concurrence condition.

02 * Damaged Records - Uncontaminated

This refers to damaged records that are contaminated (e.g. they were soaked by clean water or burned); the information contained on the records has been obliterated in whole or in part to the extent that the records are no longer of any use.

Date Range: Ongoing Media:

Other: All media FOIP Ref:

Legal Reference:

Closure Criteria: Ministry implement the decision to not recover the affected records	Retention On-site: 0 Year(s)	Retention Off-site: 0 Year(s)
Concurrence Conditions:		
Providing no outstanding litigation or		

litigation that is reasonably anticipated and	Final Disposition: Destroy
providing no outstanding FOIP requests	

Items to be cancelled:

None

Reason for Amendment A002: Revised the item title and descriptor, and updated the closure criteria and concurrence condition.

COMMENTS