

# **Record Retention Policy**

Public Interest Experts (PIE)

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This Record Retention Policy is intended to ensure that Public Interest Experts (PIE) maintains records necessary for compliance with legal and regulatory obligations.

## **Policy**

PIE retains and discards records according to the following general schedule. Records must be retained securely and confidentially, and destroyed in a way that protects sensitive information as outlined in the Backup and Data Security Policy.

#### **Retention Schedule**

Financial Statements: 10 yearsTax Returns: Permanently

- Personnel Records: 7 years after termination- Grant Documents: 10 years after completion

- Board Minutes: Permanently

- Contracts: 10 years after expiration

#### **Electronic Records**

Electronic records are treated the same as paper records. All backups and storage systems must meet security standards as outlined in the <u>Backup and Data Security Policy</u>.

### **Compliance**

Employees and board members are responsible for understanding and complying with this policy. Questions should be directed to the Executive Director.

## 8. Review and Amendments

This policy will be reviewed annually by the Board of Directors or designated committee and may be amended as necessary to reflect legal, ethical, or organizational changes.