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Digitisation Standard published

We've now published our *Digitisation Standard: Technical Standard for Permanent Paper Records.* It replaces Guidelines 8 and 19. The *Digitisation Standard and Digitisation Toolkit – Overview* gives you a quick summary of changes, including applying for permission before you destroy permanent records.

The Standard is part of our <u>Digitisation Toolkit</u>, a suite of eight documents. The toolkit will help you meet reproduction standards so you can destroy original or source records.

New Disposal Schedules

The <u>Disposal Schedule for the Department of Treasury and Finance</u> (DA2563) is now available. The *Disposal Schedule for the Functional Records of Tasmanian Irrigation Pty Ltd* (DA2498) will be completed shortly.

In brief

Face-to-face training

Don't miss our last face-to-face training session this year. <u>Demystifying</u> <u>Disposal</u> will be held in Devonport on 9 December. You can book on our website.

Approved Secondary Storage Providers

We recently finishing certifying several storage providers. We've <u>updated our</u> <u>webpage</u> with all providers and their new expiry dates.

Disaster Risk Management Toolkit launched

Building Resilience: Disaster Risk Management for Documentary Heritage and Digital Training is a new UNESCO training toolkit. It is for libraries, archives, museums and other cultural heritage organisations. The toolkit includes six learning modules, self-assessment tools, training exercises and case studies from the Asia Pacific region.

2025 Conferences

The RIMPA Live Convention will be held in Melbourne 28-30 October 2025. The Australian Society of Archivists Conference will be held in Sydney in October/November. Exact dates are to be confirmed.

In the news

Meet the citizens racing to save government websites from vanishing Forbes, 28 October 2024. Librarians, archivists and technologists across the United States join forces every four years to preserve federal government websites in the End of Term Web Archive.

Shining a light on the World War II records of Australian women ABC, 18 November 2024. The National Archives of Australia has digitised over a million service records.

Half of Australia's law enforcement agencies have banned officers using encrypted messaging apps The Guardian, 11 October 2024. After a report found some officers were deleting records including messages and calls from encrypted apps, New South Wales police banned messaging apps like WhatsApp and Signal. Victoria, Queensland and South Australia have joined NSW in banning the apps.

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