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## **Pupil Related Retention Periods** School Register/Roll Books Indefinitely **Enrolment Forms** Hold until Pupil is 25 Years **Disciplinary notes Never Destroy** Test Results - Standardised Hold until pupil is 25 Years Psychological Assessments etc. Never Destroy SEN Files/IEPS Never Destroy Accident Reports Never Destroy Child Protection Reports/Records **Never Destroy** S.29 Appeals **Never Destroy** Interview Records 18 months from close of competition plus 6 **Interview Board** Marking Scheme months in case Equality Tribunal needs to Board of Management notes (for unsuccessful inform school that a claim is being taken candidates) Staff Records **Contract of Employment** Retention for duration of employment + 7 **Teaching Council Registration** years Vetting Records Accident/Injury at work Reports (6 years to make a claim against the school plus 1 year for proceedings to be served on school) **BoM Records BOM Agenda and Minutes** Indefinitely 28 days normally. In the event of criminal **CC TV Recordings** investigation – as long as is necessary **Payroll & Taxation** Revenue require a 6-year period after the end of the tax year

## Data Retention Periods for schools

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| Invoices/receipts  | Retain for 7 Years |
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| Audited Accounts   | Indefinitely       |
| Why, in certain circumstances, does the Data Protection Commission recommend the holding of records until the former pupil has attained 25 years of age? |                    |

The reasoning is that a pupil reaches the age of majority at 18 years and that there should be a 6year limitation period in which it would be possible to take a claim against a school, plus 1 year for proceedings to be served on a school. The Statute of Limitations imposes a limit on a right of action so that after a prescribed period any action can be time barred.