

**FLAGSTAFF SKI CLUB, INC. DOCUMENT RETENTION AND DESTRUCTION
POLICY
AS OF December 9, 2024**

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1. Policy and Purposes

This Policy represents the policy of FLAGSTAFF SKI CLUB, INC., (the “organization”) with respect to the retention and destruction of documents and other records, both in hard copy and electronic media (which may merely be referred to as “documents” in this Policy). Purposes of the Policy include (a) retention and maintenance of documents necessary for the proper functioning of the organization as well as to comply with applicable legal requirements; (b) destruction of documents which no longer need to be retained; and (c) guidance for the Board of Directors, officers, staff and other constituencies with respect to their responsibilities concerning document retention and destruction. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the organization reserves the right to revise or revoke this Policy at any time.

2. Administration

2.1 Responsibilities of the Administrator. The organization’s President shall be the administrator (“Administrator”) in charge of the administration of this Policy. The Administrator’s responsibilities shall include supervising and coordinating the retention and destruction of documents pursuant to this Policy and particularly the Document Retention Schedule included below. The Administrator shall also be responsible for documenting the actions taken to maintain and/or destroy organization documents and retaining such documentation. The Administrator may also modify the Document Retention Schedule from time to time as necessary to comply with law and/or to include additional or revised document categories as may be appropriate to reflect organizational policies and procedures. The Administrator is also authorized to periodically review this Policy and Policy compliance with legal counsel and to report to the Board of Directors as to compliance. The Administrator may also appoint one or more assistants to assist in carrying out the Administrator’s responsibilities, with the Administrator, however, retaining ultimate responsibility for administration of this Policy.

2.2 Responsibilities of Constituencies. This Policy also relates to the responsibilities of board members, staff, volunteers and outsiders with respect to maintaining and documenting the storage and destruction of the organization’s documents. The Administrator shall report to the Board of Directors (the board members acting as a body), which maintains the ultimate direction of management. The organization’s staff shall be familiar with this Policy, shall act in accordance therewith, and shall assist the Administrator, as requested, in implementing it. The responsibility of volunteers with respect to this Policy shall be to produce specifically identified documents upon request of management, if the volunteer still retains such documents. In that regard, after each project in which a volunteer has been involved, or each term which the volunteer has served, it shall be the responsibility of the Administrator to confirm whatever types of documents the volunteer retained and to request any such documents which the Administrator feels will be necessary for retention by the organization (not by the volunteer). Outsiders may include vendors

or other service providers. Depending upon the sensitivity of the documents involved with the particular outsider relationship, the organization, through the Administrator, shall share this Policy with the outsider, requesting compliance. In particular instances, the Administrator may require that the contract with the outsider specify the particular responsibilities of the outsider with respect to this Policy.

3. Suspension of Document Destruction; Compliance. The organization becomes subject to a duty to preserve (or halt the destruction of) documents once litigation, an audit or a government investigation is reasonably anticipated. Further, federal law imposes criminal liability (with fines and/or imprisonment for not more than 20 years) upon whomever “knowingly alters, destroys, mutilates, conceals, covers up, falsifies, or makes a false entry in any record, document, or tangible object with the intent to impede, obstruct, or influence the investigation or proper administration of any matter within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States ... or in relation to or contemplation of any such matter or case.” Therefore, if the Administrator becomes aware that litigation, a governmental audit or a government investigation has been instituted, or is reasonably anticipated or contemplated, the Administrator shall immediately order a halt to all document destruction under this Policy, communicating the order to all affected constituencies in writing. The Administrator may thereafter amend or rescind the order only after conferring with legal counsel. If any board member or staff member becomes aware that litigation, a governmental audit or a government investigation has been instituted, or is reasonably anticipated or contemplated, with respect to the organization, and they are not sure whether the Administrator is aware of it, they shall make the Administrator aware of it. Failure to comply with this Policy, including, particularly, disobeying any destruction halt order, could result in possible civil or criminal sanctions. In addition, for staff, it could lead to disciplinary action including possible termination.

4. Electronic Documents; Document Integrity. Documents in electronic format shall be maintained just as hard copy or paper documents are, in accordance with the Document Retention Schedule. Due to the fact that the integrity of electronic documents, whether with respect to the ease of alteration or deletion, or otherwise, may come into question, electronic documents necessary for the proper functioning of the organization shall be uploaded and remain stored in the organization’s current file repository environment, MS Teams, to the extent that they are reasonably attainable considering the resources and other priorities of the organization.

5. Privacy. It shall be the responsibility of the Administrator, after consultation with counsel, to determine how privacy laws will apply to the organization’s documents from and with respect to employees and other constituencies; to establish reasonable procedures for compliance with such privacy laws; and to allow for their audit and review on a regular basis.

6. Emergency Planning. Documents shall be stored in a safe and accessible manner. Documents which are necessary for the continued operation of the organization in the case of an emergency shall be regularly duplicated or backed up and maintained in an off-site location. The Administrator shall develop reasonable procedures for document retention in the case of an emergency.

7. Document Creation and Generation. The Administrator shall discuss with staff the ways in which documents are created or generated. With respect to each employee or organizational function, the Administrator shall attempt to determine whether documents are created which can be easily segregated from others, so that, when it comes time to destroy (or retain) those documents, they can be easily culled from the others for disposition.

E-mails that are considered official correspondence on behalf of the FSC by employees, directors, or officers, and necessary for the proper functioning of the organization shall always be created and maintained through the assigned organizational (Google) email account and not through personal email accounts or servers.

8. Document Retention Schedule.

All hard copy documents shall be stored in the FSC office filing system. After their retention period expires they may be moved to the FSC office storage locker, provided that locker is secure, unless the Administrator determines that they can be destroyed. All electronic documents shall be stored on the FSC Google account in perpetuity.

Document Type

Retention Period

Accounting and Finance

Accounts Payable	7 years
Accounts Receivable	7 years
Annual Financial Statements and Audit Reports	Permanent
Bank Statements, Reconciliations & Deposit Slips	7 years
Canceled Checks – routine	7 years
Canceled Checks – special, such as loan repayment	Permanent
Credit Card Receipts	3 years
Employee/Business Expense Reports/Documents	7 years
General Ledger	Permanent
Interim Financial Statements	7 years

Contributions/Gifts/Grants

Contribution Records	Permanent
Documents Evidencing Terms of Gifts	Permanent
Grant Records	7 yrs after end of grant period

Corporate and Exemption

Articles of Incorporation and Amendments	Permanent
Bylaws and Amendments	Permanent
Minute Books, including Board & Committee Minutes	Permanent
Annual Reports to Attorney General & Secretary of State	Permanent
Other Corporate Filings	Permanent
IRS Exemption Application (Form 1023 or 1024)	Permanent
IRS Exemption Determination Letter	Permanent
State Exemption Application (if applicable)	Permanent
State Exemption Determination Letter (if applicable)	Permanent
Licenses and Permits	Permanent
Employer Identification (EIN) Designation	Permanent

Correspondence and Internal Memoranda

Hard copy correspondence and internal memoranda relating to a particular document otherwise addressed in this Schedule should be retained for the same period as the document to which they relate. Hard copy correspondence and internal memoranda will be retained in the FSC office filing system, organized appropriately.

Hard copy correspondence and internal memoranda relating to routine matters with no lasting significance	Two years
Correspondence and internal memoranda important to the organization or having lasting significance	Permanent, subject to review

Electronic Mail (E-mail) to or from the organization

Electronic mail (e-mails) relating to a particular document otherwise addressed in this Schedule should be retained for the same period as the document to which they relate in the Google account of the organization but may be retained in hard copy form with the document to which they relate in the FSC office filing system, organized appropriately.

E-mails considered important to the organization or of lasting significance should be printed and stored in the FSC office filing system, organized appropriately (unless the electronic aspect is of significance).	Permanent, subject to review
E-mails not included in either of the above categories that are considered official correspondence on behalf of the FSC by employees, directors, or officers shall be retained in the Google account of the organization.	12 months

Electronically Stored Documents

Electronically stored documents (e.g., in pdf, text or other electronic format) comprising or relating to a particular document otherwise addressed in this Schedule should be retained for the same period as the document which they comprise or to which they relate in the Google account of the organization, but may be retained in hard copy form in the FSC office filing system, organized appropriately (unless the electronic aspect is of significance).

Electronically stored documents considered important to the organization or of lasting significance should be printed and stored in the FSC office filing system, organized appropriately (unless

the electronic aspect is of significance).

Permanent, subject to review

Electronically stored documents not included in either of the above categories **should be stored in the FSC Google account.**

Two years

Employment and Personnel

Personnel Records
Employee contracts

10 yrs after employment ends
10 yrs after termination

Insurance

Property, D&O, Workers' Compensation and
General Liability Insurance Policies
Insurance Claims Records

Permanent
Permanent

Legal and Contracts

Contracts, related correspondence and other
supporting documentation
Legal correspondence

10 yrs after termination
Permanent

Management and Miscellaneous

Strategic Plans
Disaster Recovery Plan
Policies and Procedures Manual

7 years after expiration
7 years after replacement
Current version with revision
history

Property – Real, Personal and Intellectual

Property deeds and purchase/sale agreements
Property Tax
Real Property Leases
Personal Property Leases

Permanent
Permanent
Permanent
10 years after termination

Tax

Tax exemption documents & correspondence

Permanent

IRS Rulings
Annual information returns – federal & state
Tax returns

Permanent
Permanent
Permanent