

MGI Policy Requirements

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- 1 Enhancing public trust - to deliver programs, services, and information cost-effectively and consistent with the needs of Canadians, institutions must:
 - 1 a ensure the quality, consistency, and availability of information across delivery channels to respect Canadians' official language of choice and their preferred means of accessing information and of communicating with government;
 - 1 a i information quality and consistency
 - 1 a ii information availability across delivery channels and preferred means of accessing information and communicating with government
 - 1 a iii respect Canadians' official language of choice
 - 1 b organize information to provide clarity, context, and convenient access to relevant, comprehensive, and timely information and services.
 - 1 b i organize for clarity, context and relevant, comprehensive, information
 - 1 b ii organize information for convenient and timely access to information and services
 - 1 c re-use and share information to the greatest extent possible, in accordance with legal and policy obligations and in a manner that protects personal information and the privacy of individuals.
 - 1 c i re-use and share information to the greatest extent.
 - 1 c ii re-use and share in accordance with legal and policy obligations
 - 1 c iii re-use and share information in a manner that protects personal information and privacy of the individual.
 - 1 d Document decisions and decision-making processes.
 - 1 e preserve the integrity of information, particularly when it is used in collaborative endeavours with other federal government institutions, other governments, or non-governmental organizations;
 - 1 f ensure the appropriate security, protection, and disposition of information.

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- 2 Managing government information throughout its life cycle - to ensure the effective and efficient management of information, regardless of medium or format, throughout its life cycle, institutions must:
 - 2 1 include information management considerations in the planning cycle to ensure that:
 - 2 1 a i information management requirements are incorporated at an early stage in the development of new or modified government policies, programs, services,
 - 2 1 a ii information management requirements are incorporated at an early stage in the development of new or modified technology-based systems
 - 2 1 b
 - 2 1 b i governance and accountability structures are in place for the management of information; and
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 - 2 1 b ii i governance structures are in place for the management of information
 - 2 1 b ii ii accountability structures are in place for the management of information
 - 2 1 c opportunities for common infrastructures are maximized to optimize the interoperability of information management systems.
 - 2 2 collect, create, receive and capture information in ways that:
 - 2 2 a support service delivery, informed policy and decision making, and business, legal, and accountability requirements;
 - 2 2 a i support service delivery, informed policy and decision making
 - 2 2 a ii support business, legal, and accountability requirements
 - 2 2 b ensure its relevance, reliability, and completeness;
 - 2 2 c optimize its sharing and re-use, in accordance with policy and legal obligations;
 - 2 2 d document decisions and decision-making processes to account for government operations, reconstruct the evolution of policies and programs, support the continuity of government and its decision-making, and allow for independent audit and review; and

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- 2 2 e reduce the response burden on the public by avoiding the unnecessary collection of information.
- 2 3 organize, use, and disseminate information by:
 - 2 3 a establishing a co-ordinated and comprehensive approach to describing the institution's information;
 - 2 3 b maintaining a current and comprehensive classification structure or structures, including metadata; and
 - 2 3 c providing users with timely and convenient access to information, in accordance with legal and policy obligations.
- 2 4 maintain, protect, and preserve information to:
 - 2 4 a ensure its usability, including the usability of encrypted information, over time and through technological change;
 - 2 4 b ensure that information of enduring value to the Government of Canada or to Canadians is available for current and future use;
 - 2 4 c safeguard essential records; and
 - 2 4 d safeguard it from improper disclosure, use, disposition or destruction, in accordance with legal and policy obligations.
- 2 5 ensure disposition of information by:
 - 2 5 a adhering to departmental retention and disposition plans, the National Archives-approved Records Disposition Authorities, and other legal and policy obligations to ensure the timely disposition of information that is no longer required by the institution;
 - 2 5 b transferring to the National Archives information it has designated as having historical value;
 - 2 5 c transferring to the National Library publications that libraries of federal institutions have declared surplus; and
 - 2 5 d considering its transfer to non-federal government organizations, subject to legal and policy obligations.

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- 2 6 assess the effectiveness and efficiency of the management of information throughout its life cycle by:
 - 2 6 a establishing accountability frameworks to ensure the appropriate management of information; and
 - 2 6 b identifying, documenting, and reporting on specific risks, vulnerabilities, and other significant management issues and undertaking corrective action if required.