

ANNEX 1

RETENTION PERIODS UNDER DUTCH LAW

Corpo	TYPE OF DOCUMENT rate documents	ON A) LOCAL LAW AND B) OTHER REASON OR RECOMMENATION	MAXIMUM RETENTION PERIODS BASED ON A) LOCAL LAW AND B) OTHER REASON OR RECOMMENATION
1.	All types of corporate (internal) documents, including: Company accounts Budgets Books of account and records Profit and loss accounts Payment records Resolutions and/or minutes of meetings (from shareholders, the supervisory board and the management board)	 (a) Minimum 7 years from the date of preparation of the documents (Article 2:10(3) Dutch Civil Code ("DCC") (Burgerlijk Wetboek); Article 3:15i DCC, and Article 52 General tax act ("GTA") (Algemene wet inzake de rijksbelastingen). (b) Recommendation: Statutory minimum period as set forth under (a) and for a period of twenty years on a case-by-case basis if required to serve as evidence in any potential litigation. NB: A copy (physical or digital) of the shareholders register has no minimum 	 (A) None under statute. (B) Recommendation: retain as long as the company exists (and at least for a period of twenty years as provided under 1.(b)). Reason for Recommendation: common commercial practice.



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	(amendments to) Articles of association	expiration date and must be retained and	
		updated as long as the company exists.	
	Shareholder's register		
		Reason for Recommendation: (a) and art.	
	Board regulations	3:306 DCC provides that civil claims are	
		normally time-barred after 20 years.	
	• Etc.		
2.	Accounting and financial documentation,	(a) Minimum 7 years from the date of	(A) None under statute
	including:	preparation of the documents (Art.	
		2:394(6) DCC and 2:392(1) DCC, and Art.	(B) Recommendation: retain as long as the
	Financial statements	52 GTA).	company exists (and at least for a period
			of twenty years as provided under
	Audit reports	(b) Recommendation: Statutory minimum	2.(b)).
		period as set forth under (a) and for a	
	Audit records	period of twenty years on a case-by-case	Reason for Recommendation: common
		basis if required to serve as evidence in	commercial practice.
	Accounts	·	'
		any potential litigation.	
	• Etc.	Reason for Recommendation: (a) and Art.	
		3:306 DCC provides that civil claims are	
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		normally time-barred after 20 years.	
Comm	ercial contracts		
3.	All types of agreements, including	(a) Minimum 7 years from the date that the	(A) None under statute.
		document has ceased to be effective (Art.	
	Contracts	2:10(3) and 3:15i DCC).	(B) Recommendation: Recommended to
		,	retain for 20 years where it concerns
	Permits		documents that may be required to



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	• Certificates	Licenses to be kept for the duration of their	serve as evidence in any potential
		lifespan and for a minimum period of 7 years	litigation.
	• Licenses	after termination / expiration.	
			Reason for Recommendation: Art. 3:306 and
	Non-disclosure agreements (only insofar a	(b) Recommendation: Statutory minimum	3:110 DCC provide that civil claims are
	penalty is included)	period as set forth under (a) and for a	normally time-barred after 20 years.
		period of twenty years on a case-by-case	
	 Other type of confidentiality agreements 	basis if required to serve as evidence in	
	(only insofar a penalty is included)	any potential litigation.	
	Non-competition arrangement (only	Reason for Recommendation: (a) and Art.	
	insofar a penalty is included)	3:306 and 3:110 DCC provide that civil claims	
	. Desumentation relating to comice	are normally time-barred after 20 years.	
	Documentation relating to service		
	providers including (but not limited to)		
	lawyers, notaries and accountants		
	• Etc.		
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4.	Insurance plans and policies	(a) Minimum 7 years from the date that the	(A) None under statute.
	·	document has ceased to be effective (Art.	, ,
		2:10 and 3:15i DCC).	(B) Recommendation: Retain during 7 year
		,	statutory minimum period.
		(b) Recommendation: Statutory minimum	
		period as set forth under (a).	Reason for Recommendation: No apparent
			reason to retain for a longer period.
		Reason for Recommendation: (a).	
Human	n Resources		
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5.	Employment contracts (including any addenda)	 (a) Minimum 7 years from the date that the employment agreement is terminated (Art. 2:10 DCC and 3:15i DCC, and Art. 52 GTA). (b) Recommendation: Statutory minimum period as set forth under (a). 	(A) None under statute. (B) Recommendation: Recommended to retain for statutory minimum period of seven years. Reason for Recommendation: Once the
		Reason for Recommendation: (a).	required statutory minimum retention period provided under 5(a) has lapsed, we see no apparent legitimate interest pursuant to article 6 (f) GDPR to retain the personal data.
6.	 (Expat) records of foreign employees, including: Work permit Visa (applications) Etc. 	(a) None under statute. This is different with regard to the copy of an identity card, residence permit, etc. which the factual employer of a foreign/expat employee who formally is employed with another employer needs to keep in its administration for a minimum period of 5 years after the end of the calendar year in which the (factual) employment of this foreign national has ended (article 15(4) of the Foreigners Employment Act (Wet Arbeid Vreemdelingen)). (b) Recommendation:	 (A) None under statute. (B) Guidance Dutch Data Protection Authority (Autoriteit Persoonsgegevens): maximum 2 years after the employment agreement is terminated. Recommendation: maximum 2 years after the employment is terminated (in line with the Guidance of the DDPA). With regard to the documents referred to under 6(a), period of 5 years after the end of the calendar year in which the factual employment of the foreign employee ended.



		 5 years for documents referenced under (a) 2 years for other documents Reason for Recommendation: Legal obligation and guidance local data protection authority (see under 6.(B)) 	Reason for Recommendation: see above.
7.	Personal contact information, including:	(a) None under statute.	(A) None under statute.
	 Home address National insurance number Etc. 	(b) Recommendation: Up to 2 years after the employment is terminated.Reason for Recommendation: apply local DPA guidance (see under 7(B)).	(B) Guidance Dutch Data Protection Authority: maximum 2 years after the employment is terminated. Recommendation: maximum 2 years after the employment is terminated (in line with the Guidance of the DDPA). Reason for Recommendation: see above.
8.	 Emergency details, including: Emergency contact Emergency contact information 	 (a) None under statute. (b) Recommendation: Date of termination of employment. Reason for Recommendation: we see no apparent legitimate interest pursuant to article 6 (f) GDPR to retain the personal data 	 (A) None under statute. (B) Recommendation: maximum 2 years after termination of the employment. Reason for Recommendation: apply guidance of Dutch DPA in respect of other employee related personal data.



		beyond the maximum term recommended under 8(B).	
9.	Employee ID copy	 (a) Minimum five years after the end of the calendar year in which the employment agreement is terminated (Art. 28 Wage Withholding Tax Act 1964 ("WWTA") (Wet op de Loonbelasting 1964); Art. 7.5 Implementation regulations WWTA 2011). (b) Recommendation: Statutory minimum period as set forth under (a). Reason for Recommendation: (a) 	 (A) None under statute. (B) Recommendation: Maximum five years after the end of the calendar year in which the employment agreement is terminated. Reason for Recommendation: Once the required statutory minimum retention period referenced under 9(a) has lapsed, we see no apparent legitimate interest pursuant to article 6 (f) GDPR to retain the personal data.
10.	 Information regarding absence of employees and information on specific mobility events, including: Absence, such as maternal, parental leave and related documentation Time off, such as statutory leave entitlement and documentation of leave against entitlement Notification of pregnancy and related health information 	 (a) None under statute. (b) Recommendation: 2 years from the date of termination of the employment agreement. Reason for Recommendation: suggest to apply local DPA guidance as to maximum period. 	 (A) None under statute. (B) Guidance Dutch Data Protection Authority: maximum 2 years from the date of termination of the employment agreement. Recommendation: maximum 2 years after the employment is terminated (in line with the Guidance of the DDPA). Reason for Recommendation: see above.



	Secondments (such as expat agreements,			
	relocation package)			
	• Etc.			
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11.	Results of / documentation from internal	(a) None under statute.	(A)	None under statute.
	investigations on employees (for example	(b) Barrana dation and to 2 areas for a the	(D)	Cuidanaa Butah Bata Baataatian
	from email reviews or interviews)	(b) Recommendation: up to 2 years from the	(B)	Guidance Dutch Data Protection
		date of termination of the employment		Authority: max 2 years from the date of
		agreement.		termination of the employment
				agreement.
		Should the investigation be of a general		
		nature – not focusing on one employee – the		ld the investigation be of a general
		underlying material that includes personal	natur	re – not focusing on one employee – the
		data should be deleted as soon as the	unde	rlying material that includes personal
		investigation is concluded and a general	data	should be deleted as soon as the
		report has been drafted.	inves	tigation is concluded and a general
			repoi	rt has been drafted.
		Reason for Recommendation: suggest to		
		apply local DPA guidance as to maximum	Reco	mmendation: see above.
		period.		
			Reas	on for Recommendation: see above.
12	Documentation and information in relation to	(a) None under statute.	(4)	None under statute.
12.		(a) None under statute.	(A)	None unuer statute.
	biannual appraisals, including:	(b) Recommendation: retain for up to 2 years	(B)	Guidance Dutch Data Protection
	Minutes from biannual appraisal meetings	from the date of termination of the	(5)	Authority: Maximum 2 years from the
	windles from biannual appraisal meetings			
	Appraisal process	employment agreement.		date of termination of the employment
	Appliaisal process			agreement.



	Biannual development plans	Reason for Recommendation: apply maximum period under DPA guidance.	Recommendation: See above.
	• Etc.		Reason for Recommendation: See above.
Inform	nation regarding payments to employees		
13.	 Administration, including: Wage administration, including all untaxed repayments Salary administration (e.g. information relevant for the calculation of salary and remunerations and for the calculation of taxes and premiums) Specific salary administration (i.e. church affiliation, degree of disability and trade union membership) 	 (a) Wage administration needs to be retained for a minimum of 7 years after the year following the fiscal year to which the information relates (Articles 6, 23 and 28 WWTA, and Art. 52 GTA). Salary administration and specific salary administration need to be retained for a minimum of 7 years after the year following the fiscal year to which the information relates (Articles 2:10 and 3:15i DCC, Art. 52 GTA). (b) Recommendation: Statutory minimum period of 7 years (for all three types of administration). Reason for Recommendation: See above. 	 (A) None under statute for any of the three types of administration. (B) Recommendation: With regard to wage administration and salary administration: Up to 20 years in connection with requirement to serve as evidence in any potential litigation. Reason for Recommendation: Art. 3:306 DCC provides that civil claims are normally timebarred after 20 years. With regard to specific salary administration: Maximum 2 years after the employment is terminated, unless necessary to comply with a legal retention obligation (as stated under minimum period) (Guidance Dutch Data Protection Authority).
			Reason for Recommendation: see above.



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14.	Personal contact information required for	(a) None under statute.	(A) None under statute
	payroll purposes, including:Bank accountMarital statusEtc.	(b) Recommendation: Up to 2 years after the employment is terminated.Reason for Recommendation: apply local DPA guidance (see under 14 (B)).	(B) Guidance Dutch Data Protection Authority: max 2 years after the employment is terminated. Recommendation: maximum 2 years after the employment is terminated (in line with the Guidance of the DDPA). Reason for Recommendation: see above.
15.	 Severance pay records and compensation documentation, more in particular: Severance pay records and calculations of severance payments)¹ Compensation documentation and information (other than payroll and pensions, health plans, e.g., bonus letters, letters on salary increase) 	 (a) Administration needs to be retained for a minimum of 7 years after the year following the fiscal year to which the information relates (Articles 2:10 and 3:15i DCC, Art. 52 GTA). (b) Recommendation: Statutory minimum period as set forth under (a) Reason for Recommendation: (a) 	 (A) None under statute. (B) Guidance Dutch Data Protection Authority: Maximum 2 years after the employment is terminated, unless necessary to comply with a legal retention obligation (as stated under minimum period). Recommendation: maximum 2 years after the employment is terminated (in line with the Guidance of the DDPA). Reason for Recommendation: See above.

¹ **CC Note**: Please also refer to the category "Termination of employment agreements".



16.	Equity information and documents in relation	(a) Administration needs to be retained for a	(A) None under statute.
	 thereto, including: Share plan documentation Letters on vesting of shares Information on status of equity 	minimum of 7 years after the year following the fiscal year to which the information relates (article 2:10 DCC, article 3:15i DCC, article 52 Gta). (b) Recommendation: Statutory minimum period as set forth under (a)	(B) Guidance Dutch Data Protection Authority: Maximum 2 years after the employment is terminated, unless necessary to comply with a legal retention obligation (as stated under minimum period).
	Statements	Reason for Recommendation: (a)	Recommendation: maximum 2 years after the employment is terminated (in line with the
	• Etc.		Guidance of the DDPA).
			Reason for Recommendation: see above.
17.	Travel and expenses information, including:	(a) Administration needs to be retained for a	(A) None under statute.
	Expenses claims forms	minimum of 7 years after the year following the fiscal year to which the information relates (article 2:10 DCC)	(B) Guidance Dutch Data Protection Authority: Maximum 2 years after the
	Expenses receipts		employment is terminated, unless
	Data on reimbursements made	(b) Recommendation: Statutory minimum period as set forth under (a)	necessary to comply with a legal retention obligation (as stated under minimum period).
	• Etc.	Reason for Recommendation: (a)	·
			Recommendation: maximum 2 years after the employment is terminated (in line with the Guidance of the DDPA).
			Reason for Recommendation: See above.



Inform	nation regarding pensions		
18.	All business data and records relating to pension plans and schemes, including: Business data Pension administration Early retirement Etc.	 (a) Administration needs to be retained by the pension provider and the employer for a minimum of 7 years after the year following the fiscal year to which the information relates (Art. 169 Pensions Act (Pensioenwet); Art. 164 Occupational pension scheme (obligatory membership) Act (Wet verplichte beroepspensioenregeling), and Art. 52 GTA). (b) Recommendation: Statutory minimum period as set forth under (a) Reason for Recommendation: (a) 	 (A) None under statute. (B) Recommendation: Retain for statutory minimum period. Reason for Recommendation: See above under (A).
9.	Pension documentation and information, including: Pension offer Pension status Individual pension plan documentation Etc.	 (a) Administration needs to be retained for a minimum of 7 years as from 1 January of the year following the fiscal year to which the information relates (Articles 2:10 and 3:15i DCC, Art. 52 GTA). (b) Recommendation: In practice all pension providers will keep all information related to the accrual by a participant up to seven years after termination of participation. 	 (A) None under statute. (B) Other reason: Seven years after termination of participation in the relevant pension plan. Recommendation: See above. Reason for Recommendation: market practice.



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Medical records (provided by company doctor) including individual reintegration plans, treatments and workplace adaptations Documents relating to accidents occurred at work Health-related information and documentation (other than disability status, e.g., notification of inability to work, sickness record, information and documentation on reintegration measures)	 (a) None under statute. (b) Recommendation: retain for up to 2 years from the date of termination of the employment agreement. Reason for Recommendation: apply maximum period under DPA guidance. 	 (A) None under statute. (B) Guidance Dutch Data Protection Authority: Maximum 2 years from the date of termination of the employment agreement. Recommendation: maximum 2 years after the employment is terminated (in line with the Guidance of the DDPA). Reason for Recommendation: See above.
Etc.		
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21. Information regarding the employee's work performance – disciplinary documentation and information, including:

- Any warnings
- Any performance improvement plans
- Supervisor reviews
- Employee self-review
- Development goals
- Reprimands
- Talent documentation and information (e.g. talent identification)
- Training and development (trainings attended, training records, passed/failed trainings and tests)
- Organization information (Business Unit, job title, job grade, job contact details, etc.)
- Etc.

(a) None under statute.

(b) **Recommendation:** retain for up to 2 years from the date of termination of the employment agreement.

Reason for Recommendation: apply maximum period under DPA guidance.

(A) None under statute.

(B) Guidance Dutch Data Protection
Authority: Maximum 2 years from the date of termination of the employment agreement.

Recommendation: See above.

Reason for Recommendation: See above.

Electronically available information on employees



22.	Employee information publicly available to	(a) None under statute.	(A)	None under statute.
	other employees (e.g. intranet)			
		(b) Recommendation: retain for up to 2 years	(B)	Guidance Dutch Data Protection
		from the date of termination of the		Authority: Maximum 2 years from the
		employment agreement.		date of termination of the employment
		Reason for Recommendation: apply		agreement.
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		maximum period under DPA guidance.	Reco	ommendation: See above.
			Reas	son for Recommendation: See above.
23.	Other electronically available information on	(a) None under statute.	(A)	None under statute.
	employees, including:			
		(b) Recommendation: retain for up to period	(B)	Guidance Dutch Data Protection
	Employee data in network and computer	of six months from the date the		Authority; Article 32 – 36 Exemption
	systems (e.g. emails)	information was obtained.		Decree DPA. Maximum 6 months from
				the date the information was obtained.2
	Communication equipment used by	Reason for Recommendation: apply max.		
	employees	period under DPA guidance.	Reco	ommendation: maximum 6 months from
			the o	date the information was obtained (in line
	Access controls		with	the Guidance of the DDPA).
	Other internal administration		Reas	son for Recommendation: See above.

Termination of employment agreements

² **CC Note**: The Exemption Decree Dutch Data Protection Act (*Vrijstellingsbesluit Wet bescherming persoonsgegevens*) is no longer in force as of 25 May 2018. The Dutch Data Protection Authority (*Autoriteit Persoonsgegevens*) has not updated its guidance on this topic after the entry into force of the GDPR. However, we believe that this guidance can still be used as the principles in relation to data retention have not been changed.



24.	Information relating to employment	(a) None under statute.	(A) None under statute.
	termination, including:		
		(b) Recommendation: retain for up to 2 years	(B) Guidance Dutch Data Protection
	 Notice of termination/ resignation 	from the date of termination of the	Authority: Maximum 2 years from the
	_	employment agreement.	date of termination of the employment
	 Termination/ settlement agreement 		agreement.
		Reason for Recommendation: apply	
	Written correspondence related to	maximum period under DPA guidance.	Recommendation: See above.
	termination		
			Reason for Recommendation: See above.
	Exit interview		
	. Outplacement equations		
	Outplacement agreement and		
	arrangements		
Custon	ns		
25.	Invoicing and accounts information:	(a) Minimum 7 years following the financial	(A) None under statute.
		year to which the information refers, or:	
	General ledger		(B) No guidance issued by local data privacy
		 For goods that have been released 	authority.
	Account receivable record	for free circulation (other than under	
		third bullet point below): the end of	Recommendation: during statutory minimum
	 Accounts payable record 	the year that the declaration for the	period of 7 years.
	• (tender of) Sales records invoices	release for free circulation is accepted	Reason for Recommendation: GDPR
	 Accounts 		
		 For goods that have been declared 	
	Consignment notes	for export; the end of the year that	
	-	the declaration for export is accepted	



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	• Inventories	 For goods that have been released for free circulation free from rights or with lowered import duties based on their special designation; the end of 		
		the year that the customs control has been lifted		
		 For goods that fall under a different customs procedure or have been placed in temporary storage: the end of the year in which the relevant customs procedure has been cleared or the placement in temporary storage has ended 		
		(Art. 52 GTA, Art. 1:32 General Customs Act (<i>Algemene douanewet</i>), Art. 51 Union Customs Code.)		
		(b) Recommendation: See above. Reason for Recommendation: See above.		
26.	Information and documents accessible and acceptable to customs, and that are required for the performance of formalities and checks.	(a) Minimum 3 years after the date of preparation of the document (Article 15 and 51 Union Customs Code).(b) Recommendation: See under (a) above.	(A) (B)	None under statute. No guidance issued by local data privacy authority



			International
		Reason for Recommendation: See under (a)	Recommendation: during statutory minimum
		above.	period of 3 years as set forth under 26(a).
			Reason for Recommendation: GDPR
27.	Where a customs control determines that a customs debt needs to be revised.	 (a) Extension of the minimum term with 3 years from the end of the initial 3-year term as set forth under 26(a) (article 51 Union Customs Code). (b) Recommendation: See under (a) above. Reason for Recommendation: See under (a) above. 	 (A) None under statute. (B) No guidance issued by local data privacy authority Recommendation: during statutory minimum extension period of 3 years as set forth under 27(a). Reason for Recommendation: GDPR
Other	personal data		
28.	Information in relation to visitors to company premises (e.g. name, company, time of visit, person visited, license plate, etc.)	 (a) None under statute. (b) Recommendation: Up to 6 months after the date of the visit. Reason for Recommendation: apply DPA guidance as to max. period. 	 (A) None under statute. (B) Guidance Dutch Data Protection Authority; Article 37(6) Exemption Decree DPA: maximum 6 months after the date of the visit.³ Recommendation: See above.

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			Reason for Recommendation: See above.
29.	Camera recordings	(a) None under statute.	(A) None under statute.
		(b) Recommendation: up to 4 weeks as of the minute of the recording.Reason for Recommendation: apply Dutch DPA guidance as to max. period.	(B) Guidance Dutch Data Protection Authority: maximum of 4 weeks as of the minute of the fragment making. In the event of the recording of an incident, until the settlement thereof. Recommendation: See above.
			Reason for Recommendation: See above.
30.	Data subject access requests and responses	(a) None under statute.	(A) None under statute.
		(b) Recommendation: Up to 20 years as of the date of the request or response on a case-by-case basis if required to serve as evidence in any potential litigation.Reason for Recommendation:	(B) Recommendation: retain for 20 years as of the date of the request or response where it concerns information that may be required to serve as evidence in any potential litigation.
		Art. 3:306 and 3:310 DCC provides that civil claims are normally time-barred after 20 years.	Reason for Recommendation: Art. 3:306 and 3:310 DCC provides that civil claims are normally time-barred after 20 years.