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List of data retention periods in application of Article 13(2,f) of INTERPOL's Rules on the Processing of Data

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REFERENCES

List of data retention periods in application of Article 13(2,f) of INTERPOL's Rules on the Processing of Data updated by the General Secretariat on 3 February 2026.

LIST OF DATA RETENTION PERIODS IN APPLICATION OF ARTICLE 13(2,f) OF INTERPOL'S RULES ON THE PROCESSING OF DATA

DATABASES	APPLICABLE DATA RETENTION PERIODS
Frontex Interpol Electronic Library Documents System (FIELDS)	10 years or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved
INTERPOL - Family Associated Matching to Identify Lost Individuals Abroad (I-Familia)	5 years for biological relatives of the missing person 15 years for unidentified human remains or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved
DNA Database	5 years for known individuals 15 years for unknown individuals (crime scene traces) and unidentified human remains or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved
Electronic Documentation and Information System On Investigation Networks with Information on Travel Documents (EDISON)	10 years or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved
Fingerprints Database (AFIS)	5 years for known individuals 15 years for unknown individuals (crime scene traces) and dead bodies or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved
International Child Sexual Exploitation Image Database (ICSE)	99 years or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved
INTERPOL Ballistic Information Network (IBIN)	30 years or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved
INTERPOL's Criminal Information System (ICIS) - Nominal Database	5 years or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved 10 years for data recorded for criminal history purposes or for redirecting enquiries
INTERPOL Facial Recognition System (IFRS)	5 years or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved
INTERPOL Firearms Reference Table (IFRT)	30 years or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved
INTERPOL Illicit Arms Records and tracing Management System (iARMS)	30 years for firearms records related to stolen, lost, trafficked/smuggled firearms 5 years for firearms trace requests data or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved

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RELIEF	10 years or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved
Stolen Administrative Documents (SAD)	10 years or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved
SLTD Database (travel and identity documents)	5 years for stolen, lost, revoked and invalid documents 30 years for stolen blank documents or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved
Stolen Motor Vehicles (SMV)	5 years or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved
Stolen Vessels Database (SVD)	10 years or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved
Works of Art (WoA)	30 years or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved
Analysis Files (data)	10 years or a shorter retention period set by the source or when the purpose has been achieved
Compliance Management Database	6 months with a possibility of extension under certain conditions 20 years to avoid unauthorized or erroneous data processing
Temporary Processing of Large Datasets	2 years (extendable in exceptional circumstances) or a shorter retention period when the purpose has been achieved

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