

What Should You Shred?

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Always shred anything that has a signature, account number, social security number, or medical or legal information (including credit offers).

If you want to be extra cautious:

- ✓ Address labels from junk mail and magazines
- ✓ ATM receipts
- ✓ Bank statements
- ✓ Birth certificate copies
- ✓ Canceled and voided checks
- ✓ Credit and charge card bills, carbon copies, summaries and receipts
- ✓ Credit reports and histories
- ✓ Documents containing maiden name (used by credit card companies for security reasons)
- ✓ Documents containing names, addresses, phone numbers or e-mail addresses
- ✓ Documents relating to investments
- ✓ Documents containing passwords or PIN numbers
- ✓ Driver's licenses or items with a driver's license number
- ✓ Employee pay stubs
- ✓ Employment records
- ✓ Expired passports and visas
- ✓ Unlaminated identification cards (college IDs, state IDs, employee ID badges, military IDs)
- ✓ Legal documents
- ✓ Investment, stock and property transactions
- ✓ Items with a signature (leases, contracts, letters)
- ✓ Luggage tags
- ✓ Medical and dental records
- ✓ Papers with a Social Security number
- ✓ Pre-approved credit card applications
- ✓ Receipts with checking account numbers
- ✓ Report cards
- ✓ Resumés or curriculum vitae
- ✓ Tax forms
- ✓ Transcripts
- ✓ Travel itineraries
- ✓ Used airline tickets
- ✓ Utility bills (telephone, gas, electric, water, cable TV, Internet)