

# Tax Records Retention

## How many years should you keep supporting documents?

1  
Year

Check stubs and broker statements to compare to W2s and 1099s

3  
Years

W2s, 1098s, 1099s (6 years if self employed), records for withdrawals from HSA and 529 college accounts, donation receipts for charitable contributions

7  
Years

Records of worthless securities and bad debts

10  
Years

Records related to foreign tax credits