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An EIDSS user with the appropriate permissions can compare and merge duplicate records in the database. This quick guide presents the steps to deduplicate a person record.

 From the EIDSS Dashboard, click DEDUPLICATION in the ADMINISTRATION drop-down menu and then click PERSON RECORD. The Person Record Deduplication screen appears.



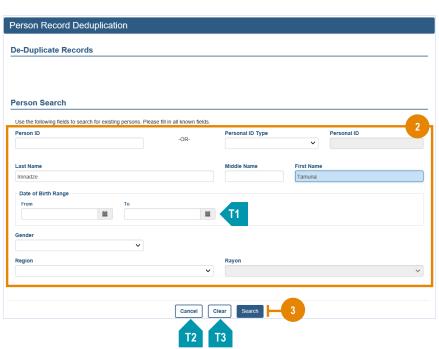
 Enter as much information as possible about the person record for which you are searching. Note: Partial entry is acceptable for the Person ID, First Name, Middle Name, and Last Name.

Tip 1: To navigate to the desired date, click a **Calendar** icon and then the **Select Month > Select Year > Select Decade** bars at the top of the calendar.

Tip 2: To return to the previous screen without saving entered information, click **Cancel**.

Tip 3: To delete entered information, click **Clear.**

3. Click **Search**. The **Person Information List** appears.





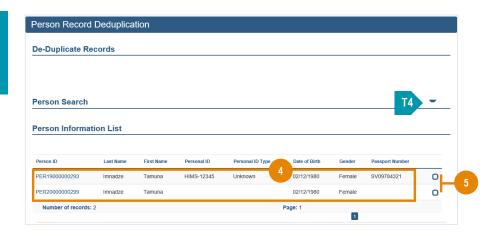
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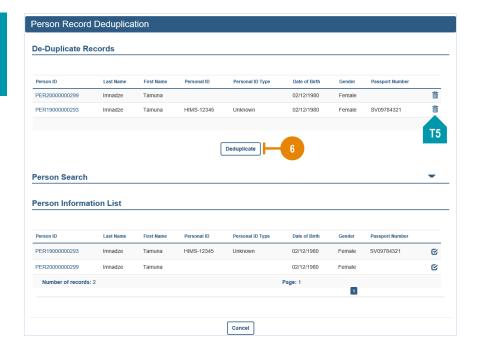
Tip 4: To revise the **Person Search**, click the **Show/Hide** icon, make the necessary changes, and click **Search**.

- 4. Review the **Person Information List** to identify duplicate records.
- Check the boxes of two duplicate person records. The records appear in the **De-Duplicate Records** grid. **Note:** Only two records can be compared at any one time.

Tip 5: To remove a record from the **De-Duplicate Records** grid, click the **Delete** icon corresponding to the desired record.

 Click **Deduplicate.** The screen refreshes displaying the records sideby-side with non-matching fields appearing in red.





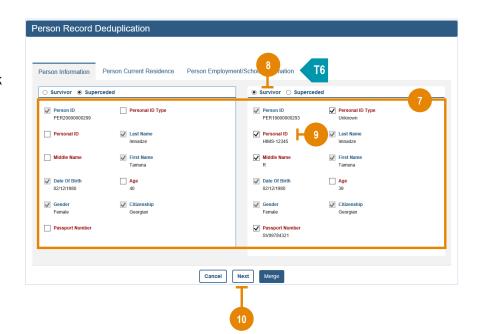


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- Confirm that the records are duplicates.
 Note: If all fields are red (non-matching), the records cannot be deduplicated. Note: If all fields are black (matching), proceed to step 11.
- 8. Select the **Survivor** radio button for the record you wish to remain in the database. The **Superceded** radio button auto-populates for the other record. **Note:** After the records are merged, the superceded record will be archived in a locked state and removed from the database after three years (unless otherwise specified).
- Check the box of the value you wish to retain for the record for each nonmatching field in the **Person Information** section.

Tip 6: The navigation tabs allow you to access any section.

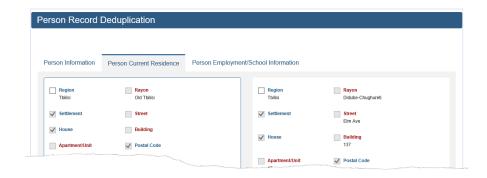
 Click Next. The Person Current Residence section appears. Note: Repeat steps 9 and 10 for each section of the record, ensuring a value is chosen for each non-matching field.





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 Click Merge. The system ensures all non-matching fields have a value chosen to survive and merges those choices onto the survivor record, and the Person Record Deduplication screen appears displaying all sections of the record.



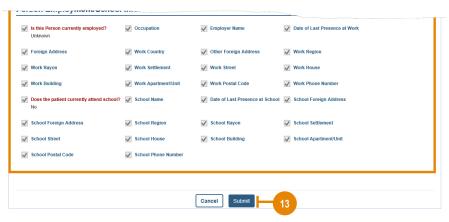


12. Review the survivor record for accuracy.

Tip 7: To revise the survivor record, click the **Edit** icon in the appropriate section, make the necessary changes, and click **Merge.**

13. Click **Submit.** A confirmation dialog box appears.





 Click Yes. A window appears confirming successful saving of the survivor record.

