

NARA Digital Preservation Framework

Change History from 2021-04 version to 2021-06 version

Change history compiled 2021-07-19. Future changes will be documented contemporaneously for increased transparency.

Minor formatting changes are not included in this list.

1. Record Categories

- a. No new categories added, no categories removed.
- b. Renamed “GIS” to “Geospatial.”
- c. Renamed “record type” to “record category” or “category.”
- d. Updated template for record categories preservation action plans.
 - i. Changed “essential characteristics” to “significant properties.”

2. General changes to both the 1) Risk and Prioritization Matrix and 2) File Formats Preservation Action Plans

- a. Added 98 formats with NARA IDs NF00663 - NF00761.
- b. NF00199 - changed name from “Generic library linker file” to “Static Library.”
- c. NF00344 - changed name from “OmniPage Pro OCR” to “OmniPage Pro Document 5-9.”
- d. NF00389 - changed name from “Python Script code file” to “Python Source Code Script.”

3. Risk and Prioritization Matrix

- a. Changed scoring for two Adoption risk factors to remove negative score options. This changed all entries with negative values to zero.
 - i. “Is the file format commonly used to create or maintain permanent records within the federal government?”
 - ii. “Is the file format commonly used outside the federal government?”
- b. 506 formats had their raw risk calculation number change.
- c. 5 formats had their overall risk level increase:
 - i. NF00139 - CALS Compressed Bitmap - was low, now moderate.
 - ii. NF00210 - Icon file format - was moderate, now high.
 - iii. NF00300 - Microsoft Visio Drawing 2013 - was low, now moderate.
 - iv. NF00388 - Product Representation Compact - was low, now moderate.
 - v. NF00597 - MPEG Audio Layer 2 (MPEG-1 and MPEG-2, Audio Layer 2) - was low, now moderate.
- d. 4 formats had their risk level decrease:
 - i. NF00340 - MySQL Form Definition - was moderate, now low.
 - ii. NF00431 - Universal 3D - was moderate, now low.
 - iii. NF00436 - Vista Pro Graphics - was high, now moderate.
 - iv. NF00600 - NCH Dictation Audio File - was high, now moderate.

4. File Formats Preservation Action Plans

- a. Replaced dead links.
- b. Added links to new resources.

5. Read me

- a. Updated count for file formats present in the Digital Preservation Framework from “more than 500” to “more than 650.”

6. Deprecated IDs

- a. NF00414 - Generic Data File - deprecated, combined with NF00151, Data File.