

Shred-it® 1-Month Declutter Challenge

WEEK 1

Organize your workspace to help protect against fraud and visual hacking.

MYTH: Paper really isn't a problem.

FACT: The average office worker still produces more than 10,000 sheets or paper annually.¹

- ✓ Remove all sensitive documents that have been left out in the open
- ✓ Put a Shred-it Clean Desk Policy in place so confidential materials are always removed from desks or placed into locked consoles for secure destruction
- Keep work areas tidy of documents, post-it notes, business cards, access cards, and removable media



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WEEK 2

Purge your storage room of obsolete documents and get rid of unwanted risk.

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FACT: 24% of all identity theft crimes are non-digital¹.

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- Put a Shred-it Document Management Policy in place so that employees understand what is considered confidential information. Review what documents should be stored in locked cabinets and what documents need to be destroyed



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Securely destroy and recycle old media and hard drives to keep private information safe.

MYTH: Erasing hard drives removes the data.

FACT: Only physical destruction ensures the data is unrecoverable

- Call Shred-it to securely destroy and recycle your old hard drives and media. Stockpiling digital data, including old hard drives, CD's and USB's, doesn't just take up space - it puts you at risk for a data breach if stolen
- Physically destroy and recycle any obsolete drives and electronic media to ensure data is 100% unrecoverable









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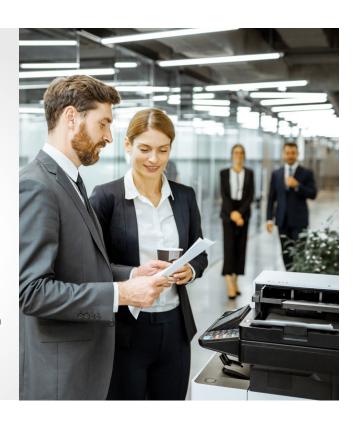
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Declutter common areas and ensure confidential information stays out of the wrong hands.

MYTH: Getting an outside document destruction company is too expensive.

FACT: Shred-it document destruction costs less than a cup of coffee a day.

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- Set reminders around the office indicating that print outs should not be left in printer trays but should be securely deposited into locked consoles if no longer needed
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