- **16a-2-304.** Records; annual reports; maintenance of records; security of records; preservation of records. (1) Every licensee and any assignee or servicer of a consumer credit transaction and every person required to file notification shall maintain records in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles and practices in a manner that will enable the administrator and, in the case of a supervised financial organization its supervisory official or agency, to determine whether the licensee, assignee, servicer or person required to file notification is complying with the provisions of K.S.A. 16a-1-101 through 16a-9-102, and amendments thereto. The record keeping system of a licensee, assignee, servicer or person required to file notification shall be sufficient if the licensee, assignee, servicer or any person required to file notification makes the required information reasonably available. The records need not be kept in the place of business where supervised loans are made, if the administrator or supervisory official or agency is given free access to the records wherever located. Every licensee and any assignee or servicer of a consumer credit transaction and every person required to file notification shall provide the administrator with the name, address, telephone number, contact person and any other reasonable information regarding the location and availability of current records of a consumer credit transaction. The records pertaining to any loan shall be kept for the minimum time frames established by the administrator pursuant to rules and regulations.
- (2) Every licensee and any assignee or servicer of a consumer credit transaction, and every person required to file notification shall establish, maintain and enforce written policies and procedures regarding security of records which are reasonably designed to prevent the misuse of a consumer's personal or financial information.
- (3) Before ceasing to conduct or discontinuing business, a licensee or person required to file notification shall arrange for and be responsible for the preservation of the books and records required to be maintained and preserved under this act and applicable rules and regulations for the remainder of each period specified.
- (4) Any records required to be retained may be maintained and preserved by noneraseable, nonalterable electronic imaging or by photograph on film. If the records are produced or reproduced by photographic film, electronic imaging or computer storage medium, the licensee, assignee or person required to file notification shall meet the following criteria:
- (a) Arrange the records and index the films, electronic image or computer storage media to permit immediate location of any particular record;
- (b) be ready at all times to promptly provide a facsimile enlargement of film, a computer printout or a copy of the electronic images or computer storage medium that the administrator may request; and
- (c) with respect to electronic images and records stored on computer storage medium, maintain procedures for maintenance and preservation of, and access to, records in order to reasonably safeguard these records from loss, alteration or destruction.
- (5) On or before April 15 of each year every licensee shall file with the administrator and, in the case of a supervised financial organization with its supervisory official or agency, a composite annual report in the form prescribed by the administrator relating to all loans made by such licensee. The administrator shall consult with comparable officials in other states for the purpose of making the kinds of information required in annual reports uniform among the states. Information contained in annual reports shall be confidential and may be published only in composite form.
  - (6) No person required to be licensed or file notification under this act shall:
- (a) Alter, destroy, shred, mutilate, conceal, cover up or falsify any record with the intent to impede, obstruct or influence any investigation by the administrator or the administrator's designee; or
- (b) alter, destroy, shred, mutilate or conceal a record with the intent to impair the object's integrity or availability for use in a proceeding before the administrator or a proceeding brought by the administrator.

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