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# Proposed guiding standards for the drafting of Arab archival legislation

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### **Abstract**

Archival Legislation represents an essential element in the broader legislative base of any effective independent government, it's provides the necessary legal framework for the flow of documents in all state agencies and regulates their path, and defines the duties and responsibilities of the government, agencies and institutions in their dealings with current, semicurrent and permanent documents, and codifies the right to access those documents, and ways to benefit from them, and explains the controls and standards for legal protection of archives in general and its materials in particular, and spreads awareness of the legal dimensions related to the practice of the archival profession, which limits abuses and violations, and leads to providing the highest level of service. Therefore, suggestive Guidelines came because of studying the archival legislation of nine Arab countries and comparing them together. These are matched by relevant global guidelines.

## **Keywords**

Archival Legislation, Guidelines, Legislative Drafting, Arab Archives