



NSA/CSS POLICY 9-12 STORAGE DEVICE SANITIZATION AND DESTRUCTION



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POLICY STATEMENT

1. This policy provides guidance for the secure disposition of information system storage devices that contain sensitive or classified information in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and guidance. It applies to all NSA/CSS elements. Corresponding detailed procedures can be found in NSA/CSS Policy Manual 9-12, “Storage Device Sanitization and Destruction Manual,” (“go pm9-12”).

2. The Cybersecurity Directorate shall be responsible for developing, promulgating, and maintaining processes and procedures for the sanitization and release of NSA/CSS information system storage devices. These include storage devices in such formats as hard copy, hybrid, magnetic, optical, and solid state.

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