

Comparison of Archaeological Curation Guideline Documents

State	Repository Name	Number of pages	Collections Accepted (Ownership)	Specified delivery methods	Collection limitations	Human Remains Accepted?	Soil Sample Requirements	Artifact labeling format	Suggested artifact labeling methods	Culling process used?	Inventory requirements	Database format requirements	Photo organization/labeling	Complete collections only?	Storage materials specified?	2 copies of records?
Pennsylvania	State Museum of Pennsylvania	28	Federal & Private; Designated state repos.	Hand only	Unclear	Yes, comply with NAGPRA	Must be processed	Exact format required	Two methods described	Yes	Box list, full copy	Specific format	Specific format	Yes	Yes	Yes
Texas	Texas Archaeological Research Laboratory at the University of Texas, Austin	2	Contractors and Private	Mail	From TX, scientific value	Yes, comply with NAGPRA Documentation Required	Double bagged	Exact format required	Two methods described	No	To class level	None	Specific format	Yes	No	No
South Dakota	South Dakota State Historical Society Archaeological Research Center	38	Federal, some private	Hand only	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Exact format required	Multiple methods described	No	Box list, full copy	Specific program req. or else data entry fees	Specific format	Yes	Yes	Yes
North Carolina	North Carolina Office of State Archaeology Curation Standards and Guidelines	10	State, federal, private	Unclear	Unclear	Case by case	Double bagged; 40 lbs/box max.	Exact format required	Multiple methods described	Unclear	Inner box label	Unclear	Specific format	No	Yes, box only	Yes
California	Sonoma State University Anthropological Studies Center	3	N. CA only. Federal & private	Unclear	From Northern CA, else case by case. No special needs collections	No	Unclear	Exact format required	Indirect methods	Unclear	Box list	Fields defined	Unclear	?	Yes	Yes
Louisiana	Louisiana Division of Archaeology	15	Repository for all state lands	Mail or hand	Unclear	Yes	Double paper bags; sealed	Exact format required	Multiple methods described	Unclear	Box list	Field defined	Specific format	Yes	Yes	Yes

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State	Box label required?	Fees	Source of authority	Information provided for field prep., etc.	Boxes provided by repository?	Access policies	Details on transfer process	Collection organization	Checklist/example forms	Where to obtain storage materials	Digital data requirements	Web address
Pennsylvania	Yes	\$250/cu ft	State	No	Unclear	Yes, process outlined	Private donor, rejection form process detailed	Unclear	Yes	Provides supplier list	None	http://www.statemuseumpa.org/archc.html
Texas	No	\$1,260/drawer; Processing and NAGPRA fees	U of T Austin	Yes	Will rebox	Unclear		Specific: By analytic categories	Yes	Provides supplier list	None	http://www.utexas.edu/research/tarl/
South Dakota	Yes	\$180/cu ft; Processing fees	State	Yes	Maybe	Research fees	Temp. receipt until inventoried, accession # pre-assigned	Specific: By object stability	Yes	Provides supplier list, some from repos.	None	http://www.sdsmt.edu/wwwsarc/
North Carolina	Yes	Not listed	State	Yes	If needed, at cost	Unclear	Private: signed letter; federal/state: cover letter 1 mo. prior	Specific method	No	Some from repos.	None	http://www.arch.dcr.state.nc.us/curation.htm
California	Yes	\$500/40 lb, 1 cu ft; Processing fees, Oversize by weight	?	Unclear	1 cu ft boxes	By appt.	Pre-assigned accn. number	Specific	No	Unclear	None	http://www.sonoma.edu/asc/default.shtml
Louisiana	Yes	Intake fee: \$200/cu ft; \$65/cu ft per year; processing fees	State	Unclear	Unclear	By appt.	Letter to repository, conditional acceptance	Specific	No	Provides supplier list	None	http://www.crt.state.la.us/crt/ocd/arch/homepage/