

## Access Restrictions

Most archival records are publicly accessible, although some are subject to restrictions under the BC Personal Information Protection Act (SBC 2003) (see link on main Archives page. Select Statutes and Regulations - look under "P" for Personal Information Protection Act).

### Vital Records: Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, Burials

Privacy legislation applies to all registers, so you can only request your own records unless it is:

- ♦ a baptism more than 100 years old
- ♦ a marriage more than 75 years old
- ♦ a burial more than 20 years old

If you are requesting a record on behalf of someone else, please be sure to have them send written permission to the archives so that the archivist can release the record to you.

### Parish and Diocesan Records

This material is generally accessible, with the exception of Bishop's correspondence, legal files, and some other materials.

### Clergy

Personnel files are not available to the public.