

In response to Board Item #211396 inquiring as to how to expunge or seal a police report or record, I direct your attention to the attached Somerville Police Department's Records Management Policy, M.G.L. c. 66, and M.G.L. c. 276. Pursuant to [M.G.L. c. 66](#) all police records created and maintained by the Police Department are records the City is obligated to retain in accordance with the Massachusetts Municipal Records Retention schedule. The Police Department cannot seal or destroy any document it has created without a court order. Specifically, [MGL c. 276 §§100A-100U](#) details the process for having records sealed or expunged. See also [Seal Your Criminal Record](#) and [Expunge Your Criminal Record](#).