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**Question:** Are there specific categories of supporting documents that drivers are not required to physically retain?

**Guidance:** Two categories of supporting documents—electronic mobile communications and payroll records—are not documents a driver would have to physically retain. These types of documents may be part of a larger record that the carrier retains electronically or physically at the dispatch location or principal place of business. Under 49 CFR [395.11(d)(2)](https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-49/subtitle-B/chapter-III/subchapter-B/part-395/subpart-A/section-395.11#p-395.11(d)(2)), all information in an electronic mobile communication record will be counted as one document per duty day.

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