



Maintaining an Efficient & Useful Database

Efficiency

noun

Accomplishment of or ability to accomplish a job with minimum expenditure of time and effort

Controllable Efficiency Impeders

- Incomplete report outputs
- Inconsistent labeling of contacts
- Re-creating the wheel
- Searching for a “needle in the haystack”

Today's Areas of Focus

- Contacts
- Customizable Drop-down Lists
- Actions
- Searches and Reports
- Correspondence Templates

The Key

Identify

Adjust &
Implement

Maintain

Ongoing Database Maintenance Checklist

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CRM Important Fields

Date Became Client	Primary Phone, Address, Email – Record
IPS Checkbox & Date	Preferred Mailing Name
IM Contract Date	Fields used in Mail Merges
Questionnaire	State of Residence
Referred By/Referred Date	Add one Classification – “Client” is mandatory
Birthday	SSN if you intend to import Assets
Source	User Fields

RECORD FIELDS

Record Summary

- Record Type
- Classification
- Tags
- Advisor 1 (Advisor 2, CSR)

Contact Info

- Primary Record Address
- Primary Record Email
- Primary Record Phone Number

Engagement

- Date Became Client
- Investment Policy Statement Date
- Financial Planning Contract Date
- Investment Management Contract Date
- Referred By
- Referred Date
- Source
- Termination Date (when applicable)
- Termination Reason (when applicable)
- Termination Amount (when applicable)

PERSON FIELDS

Basic Info

- Relationship to Record
- First Name
- Last Name
- DOB
- Birthday List

Contact Info

- Primary Address
- Primary Email
- Primary Phone Number

Personal

- Social Security Number
- State of Residence
- Interests

Record Summary

Record ID: 2
Service Level: Platinum

Advisor 1: Tricia Cameron
Advisor 2: John Henry
CSR: Cheryl Addison

Home: (555) 555-0000
Home Email: home@net.net
Home Address: 25 Andrews Drive, Oaks, CA 94555, USA

TEAM MEMBERS
Tricia Cameron: Financial Specialist, Portfolio Manager

Contact Info

Phone Numbers

Type	Phone Number	Label	Settings To	Primary
Home	(555) 555-0000	Home	Default	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Business	(555) 555-1234	Business	Default	<input type="checkbox"/>

Mailing Addresses

Home - Default Address

Type	Label	Address Type	Address	Primary
Home	Home	Home	25 Andrews Drive, Oaks, CA 94555, USA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Other Mailing Addresses

Type	Label	Address Type	Address	Primary
Home	Home	Home	25 Andrews Drive, Oaks, CA 94555, USA	<input type="checkbox"/>

Email Addresses

Type	Email	Label	Settings To	Primary	Arch
Home	home@net.net	Home	Default	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business	business@net.net	Business	Default	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



Important Fields Best Practice Guide

Andrews - George & Sally



PERSON

RECORD ID: 2
SERVICE LEVEL: Platinum

ADVISOR 1: Tricia Cameron
ADVISOR 2: John Henry
CSR: Cheryl Addison

PHONE: (555) 555-0000
HOME EMAIL: home@net.net
HOME ADDRESS: 25 Andrews Drive, Oaks, CA 94555, USA

CLASSIFICATIONS: CENTER O..., CLIENT, TRUSTEE

TAGS: FINANCIAL..., ESTATE PL..., HOLIDAY G..., +2

AUM: \$13,614,954.66

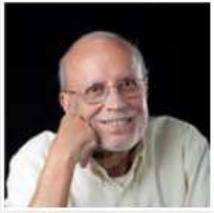
FEE SCHEDULE: .75

CLIENT ANNIVERSARY: 09/01/1995

OWNER GROUP: Everyone

Details > Contact Info

Basic Information



George Andrews - Client

Relationship to Record	Client
Prefix	Mr.
First Name	George
Middle Name	H
Last Name	Andrews
Suffix	
Nickname	George
Initials	
DOB	01/19/1950
Age:	71.8
Communication Preference	Email
Birthday List	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Gender	Male
Marital Status	Married
Deceased	<input type="checkbox"/>

Person ID 3

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Sally Andrews - Client

Relationship to Record	Client
Prefix	Mrs.
First Name	Sally
Middle Name	A
Last Name	Andrews
Suffix	
Nickname	
Initials	
DOB	05/25/1955
Age:	66.5
Communication Preference	Email
Birthday List	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Gender	Female
Marital Status	Married
Deceased	<input type="checkbox"/>

Person ID 2

Andrews - George & Sally Addresses

Address

Label

Address Type Home

Dear George and Sally

Address Mr. and Mrs. George Andrews

25 Andrews Drive

Oaks, CA 94555

USA



Record Primary Address

Only one Primary Address per Record

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George's Addresses

Address

Label

George Company

Address Type Business

Dear George

Address Mr. George Andrews

Andrews Tools

1050 Northgate Drive

Suite 570

Santa Barbara, CA 94955

USA



Person Primary Address

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Address

Label

Address Type Home

Dear George

Address Mr. Andrews

25 Andrews Drive

Oaks, CA 94555

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Phone Numbers

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Type:	Phone Number:	Label:	Belongs To:	Primary:
	(555) 555-0000		Andrews - George & Sally	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	(555) 555-1111		Andrews - George & Sally	<input type="checkbox"/>
	(555) 555-5555		Andrews - George & Sally	<input type="checkbox"/>
Home	(555) 555-7777		Andrews - George & Sally	<input type="checkbox"/>
Home	(555) 555-5555 x		George Andrews	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Business	(555) 555-7777	Andrews Tools	George Andrews	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business Fax	(555) 666-7878 x	Andrews Tools	George Andrews	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cell	(666) 667-6767 x	George Cell	George Andrews	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cell	(555) 780-7687 x	Sally Cell	Sally Andrews	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Email Addresses

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Type:	Email:	Label:	Belongs To:	Primary:	Add'l: ⓘ
Home	home@net.net		Andrews - George & Sally	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Home	george@email.net	George Home	Andrews, George	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business	gandrews@andrewstools.com	George Work	Andrews, George	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business	sandrews@andrewstools.com		Andrews, Sally	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Home	sally@email.net	Sally Home	Andrews, Sally	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

ADDITIONAL FIELDS

Take time as a firm to review all the areas of a Record in detail. Determine what information will be vital to you for reference and reporting later on. Make a note here of which other fields are important based on your needs and use.

ADDITIONAL TIPS

- The fields that are important will vary based on the use for the Record. Create different "important fields" lists for different types of Records (such as *prospect*, *strategic partners*, or *vendors*).
- Create an important field data check report using the Report Assistant to show Records where important fields have been left blank.
- Create a Recurring Action Definition on your Office Record that reminds someone to run the above mentioned report on a regular basis (recommended quarterly).

Engagement

Date Record Created	08/11/2016	File Generation Date	08/22/2016
Decision	0	Legal Fee Worth	\$20,000.00
Investment Policy Statement Date	08/22/2016	Actual Income	\$40,000.00
Financial Planning Contract Date	08/21/2016	Overall Net Worth	\$1,280,000 - \$1,300,000
Investment Management Contract Date	08/18/2016	Overall Net Taxable	Individual
Additional Form Date		Overall Investment Experience	Good
Meeting Frequency	Quarterly (4 per year)	Overall Investment Objective	Capital Preservation
Referred By	Andrew George	Termination Date	
Referred Date	07/14/2017	Termination Reason	
Source	Cold Call	Termination Amount	\$100

Basic Info

Deborah Barnes - CPA

Relationship to Record	CPA
Title	Ms.
First Name	Deborah
Middle Name	
Last Name	Barnes
Suffix	
Nickname	
Initials	
DOB	08/27/1963
Age	52.4
Communication Preference	
Birthday List	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gender	Female
Marital Status	Married
Deceased	<input type="checkbox"/>
Person ID	6

Personal

Profile > Personal

Personal Information

George's Personal Information

SSN/TIN	345-64-5722
State of Residence	CA
Country of Citizenship	USA

Interests And Favorites

George's Interests:
Business, Golf, Travel

Details > Personal Information

George's Personal Information

SSN/TIN : *****

State of Residence : CA

Country of Citizenship : USA

Driver's License Information

Issuing State : CA

License # : 4555678

Issue Date : 01/19/2013

Expiration Date : 01/19/2018

Passport Information

Passport # : 12365589

Issue Date : 10/20/2013

Expiration Date : 10/20/2025

Issuing Country : USA

Issue Location : Seattle

Details > Engagement

Date Became Client : 09/01/1995
Discretionary :
Investment Policy Statement Date : 09/22/1995
Financial Planning Contract Date : 09/27/1995
Investment Management Contract Date : 04/16/2000
Additional Form Date :
Meeting Frequency : Quarterly (4 per year)
Referred By : Brown, Charles
Referred Date : 05/06/2020
Source : Connection/Friend

Risk Questionnaire Date : 09/22/1995
Liquid Net Worth : \$15,000,000.00
Annual Income : \$250,000.00
Overall Net Worth : \$10,000,000 to \$1,000,000,000
Overall Risk Tolerance : Moderate
Overall Investment Experience : Excellent
Overall Investment Objective : Capital Preservation
Termination Date :
Termination Reason :
Termination Amount : \$0.00

Contact Entry Protocol

- ✓ Who enters contacts?
- ✓ Who edits contacts?
- ✓ How is data gathered?
- ✓ How often is data checked?

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List Customization

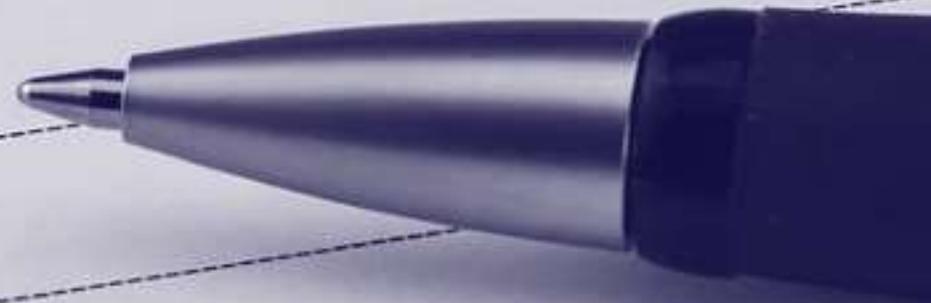


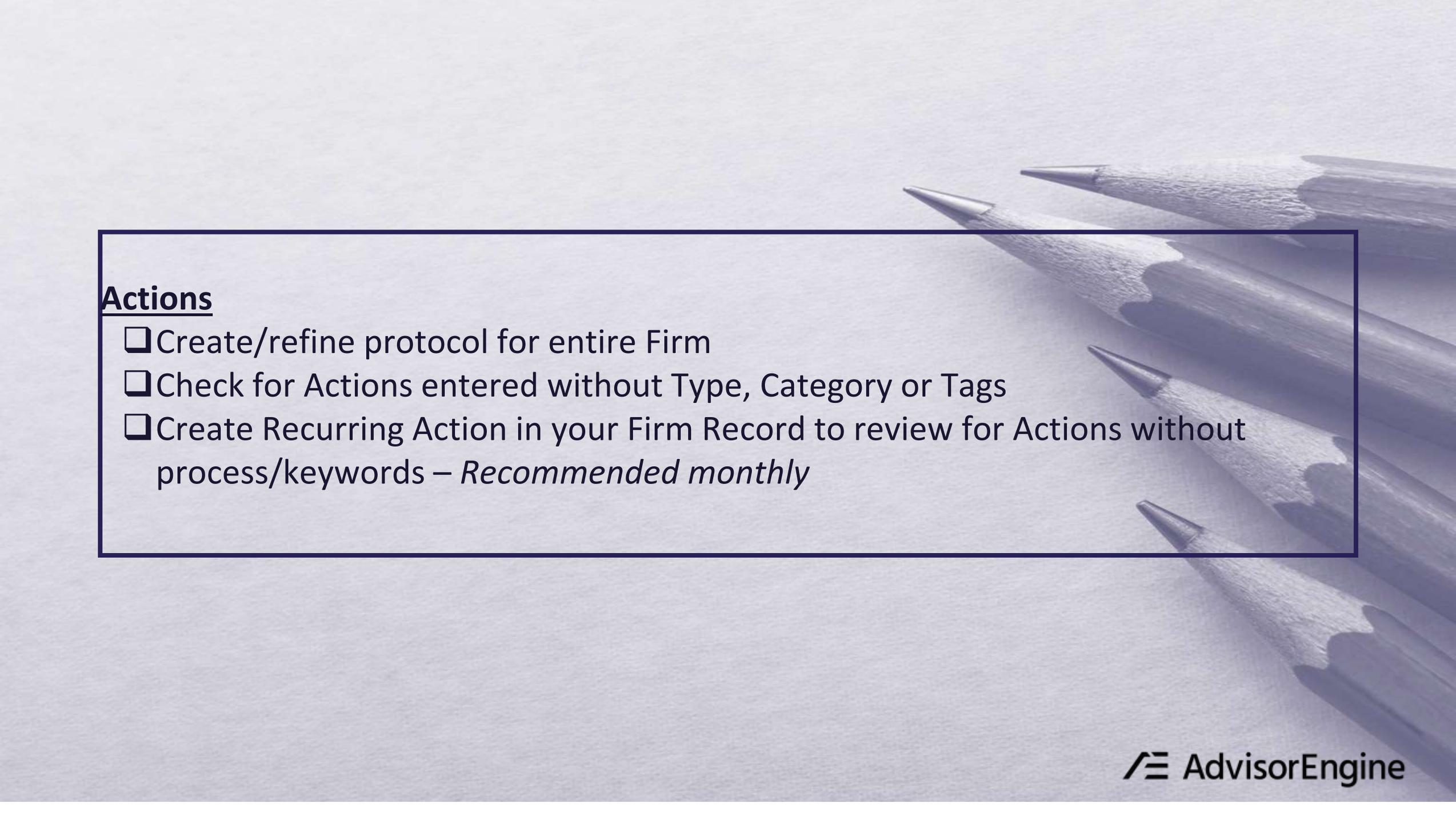
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- Use Categories
- Be descriptive in titles
- Check accuracy of contents

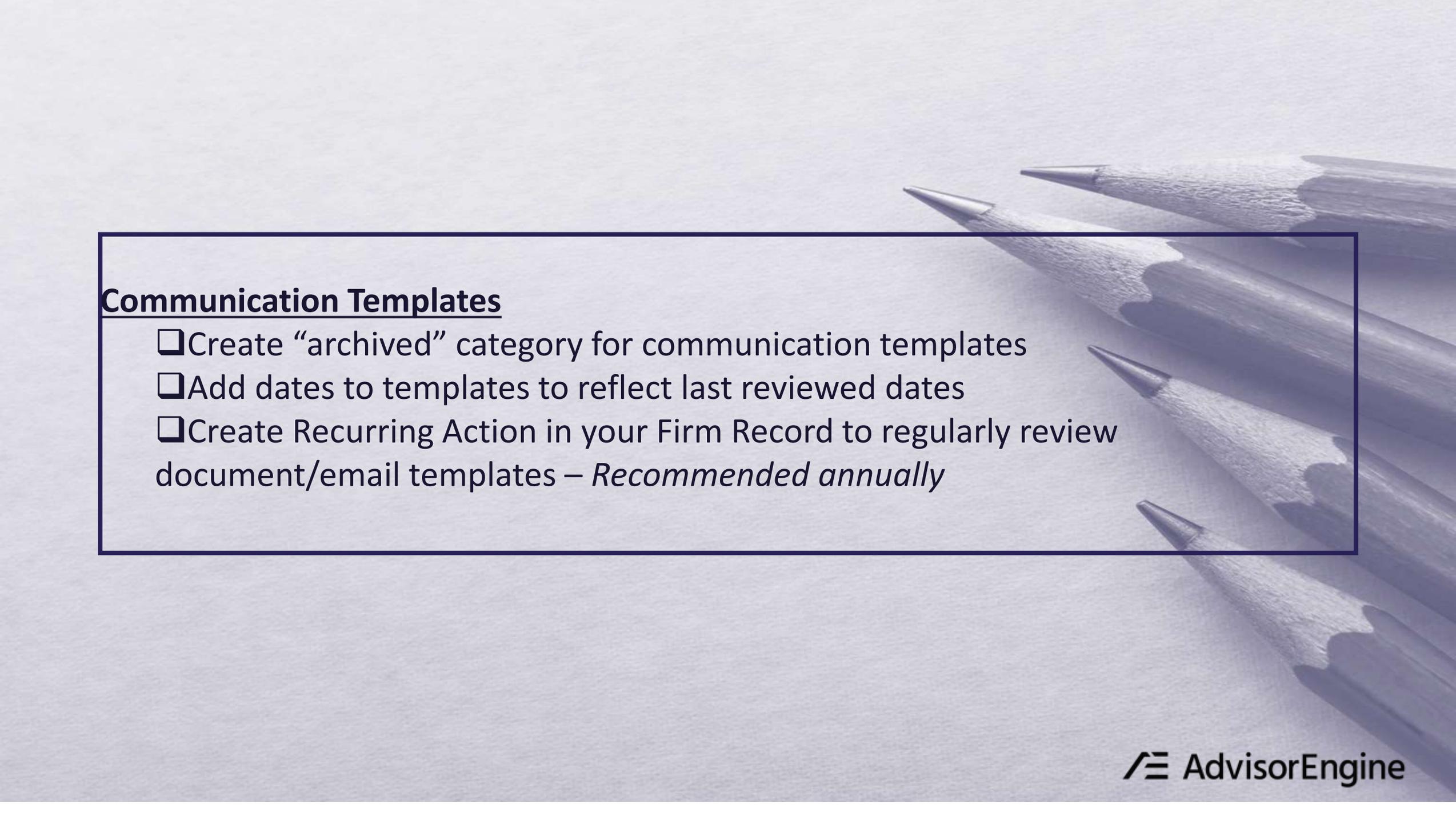


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Correspondence Templates





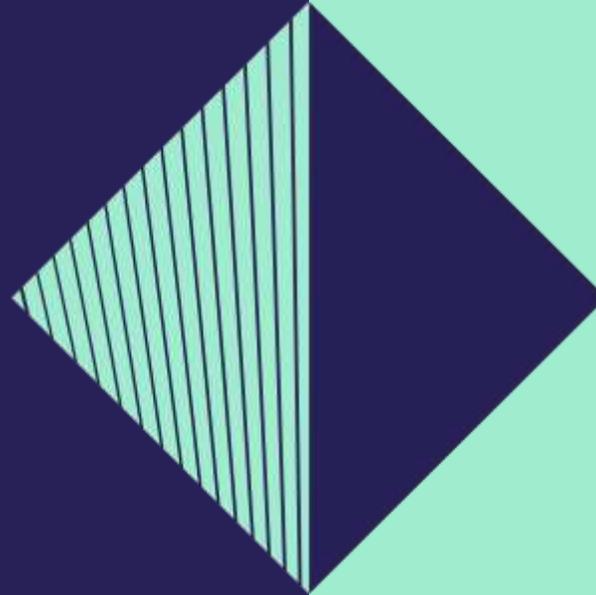
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Next Steps

- Create a CRM Task Force
- Work through the checklist
- Add data check recurring actions
- Adjust, Impliment, Maintain

Thank You for
watching



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