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Subject: Lifespan of a Videotape  
Posted by [AFreed52](#) on Tue, 30 Sep 2014 01:53:27 GMT  
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I've read where the lifespan of a videotape is about 20 years. However, I have some that are more than 25 years old and still work fine. Any reason for the conflict in assessment?

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Posted by [gofar99](#) on Tue, 30 Sep 2014 02:52:29 GMT  
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Hi, I have many that old they are fine. Storage conditions are quite important as well as having a decent brand to start with.

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Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Tue, 30 Sep 2014 15:21:08 GMT  
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I store mine on a transformer. It gets a little hot but isn't too magnetic.

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Posted by [gofar99](#) on Thu, 02 Oct 2014 02:35:53 GMT  
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Another nice dry place is inside a microwave oven.

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Posted by [audioaudio90](#) on Tue, 07 Oct 2014 13:33:35 GMT  
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Haha, I hope no one takes you guys seriously or they're in for a world of hurt! I got rid of my videotapes a long time ago so I couldn't tell you how long they might have lasted.

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