Safe Standard® – Country Annex: Saint Kitts and Nevis / Federation of Saint Kitts and Nevis (2025.1 Public Template)

Valid only for rentals occurring within Saint Kitts and Nevis.

ENGLISH VERSION

- 1. National Legal Basis Relevant laws: Contract law (English common-law based) Consumer Affairs Act (general consumer rights framework) Electronic Transactions Act Product Safety & Standards Bureau of Standards (developing framework) Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court Civil Procedure Rules Jurisdiction: court where the rental occurs unless agreed otherwise. Contract validity: private rental agreements are enforceable under SKN civil/common-law principles.
- 2. Tax and Reporting Rental income is taxable. VAT (Value Added Tax): Standard VAT rate: 17% Record keeping: minimum 5 years (Inland Revenue Department).
- 3. Liability and Insurance Liability requires: negligence or fault provable actual damage causation Gross negligence or intentional harm cannot be excluded. Template limits: USD 270 per rental USD 900 for Mobility Recommended insurance: Public liability insurance Equipment/business insurance
- 4. Consumer Rights & Withdrawal Consumer Affairs Act applies. No EU-style 14-day withdrawal right for fixed-date rentals. Refund rules: Before handover: as agreed After handover: only if the item is defective, unsafe, or unusable.
- 5. Data Protection The federation has no unified GDPR-style data-protection law. General privacy principles apply. Safe Standard® stores no personal data; Stripe processes payments externally. 6. Enforcement & Cross-Border Cases Civil disputes handled by the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court (SKN High Court). Foreign judgments require recognition. Arbitration allowed with written agreement.
- 7. Use of Templates in Saint Kitts and Nevis Annex is internal reference only. Steps: 1. Rental Agreement (Country: Saint Kitts and Nevis) 2. Focus Checklist at handover 3. Photo Rule No notes = No damage = No photos 4. Damage Invoice if required 5. Annex is NOT given to the renter.