Safe Standard® – Country Annex: Laos / Lao People's Democratic Republic (2025.1 Public Template)

Valid only for rentals occurring within Laos.

ENGLISH VERSION

- 1. National Legal Basis Relevant Lao laws: Lao Civil Code (contracts, obligations, liability) Law on Consumer Protection (2010) Law on Electronic Transactions (ET Law) Product Safety & Standards Department of Standardization and Metrology Civil Procedure Law Jurisdiction: court where the rental occurs unless agreed otherwise. Contract validity: private rental agreements are enforceable under Lao civil-law principles.
- 2. Tax and Reporting Rental income is taxable. VAT: Standard VAT rate: 10% Record keeping: minimum 5 years (Tax Department rules).
- 3. Liability and Insurance Liability requires: negligence or fault actual provable damage causation Gross negligence or intent cannot be excluded. Template limits: 270 USD per rental 900 USD for Mobility Recommended insurance: Public liability insurance Equipment/business insurance
- 4. Consumer Rights & Withdrawal Consumer Protection Law applies. No EU-style 14-day withdrawal right for fixed-date rental services. Refunds: Before handover: per agreement After handover: only for defective, unsafe, or unusable items.
- 5. Data Protection Laos has developing data-protection principles. Safe Standard® stores no personal data; Stripe processes payments externally.
- 6. Enforcement & Cross-Border Cases Handled by Lao civil courts. Foreign judgments require recognition by local courts. Arbitration allowed with written agreement.
- 7. Use of Templates in Laos Annex is internal reference only. Steps: 1. Rental Agreement (Country: Laos) 2. Focus Checklist at handover 3. Photo Rule No notes = No damage = No photos 4. Damage Invoice if required 5. Annex is NOT shared with renter.