Safe Standard® – Country Annex: Tuvalu / Tuvalu (2025.1 Public Template)

Valid only for rentals occurring within Tuvalu.

ENGLISH VERSION

1. National Legal Basis Relevant Tuvaluan laws: • Contract law (English common-law based) • Consumer protection principles (general civil-law; no unified statute) • Electronic Transactions Bill (developing framework) • Product Safety & Standards — Tuvalu Ministry of Commerce & Trade • Civil Procedure Rules (Magistrates' Court & High Court) Jurisdiction: court where the rental occurs unless agreed otherwise. Private rental agreements are valid under Tuvaluan common-law principles.

2. Tax and Reporting Rental income is taxable. VAT/GST: • Tuvalu does NOT operate a full VAT system. • Consumption taxes apply to some goods/services. Record keeping: recommended minimum 5 years.

3. Liability and Insurance Liability requires: • negligence or fault • actual provable damage • causation Gross negligence or intentional acts cannot be excluded. Safe Standard® template limits: • USD 270 per rental • USD 900 for Mobility (unless overridden by mandatory local law) Recommended insurance: • Public liability insurance • Equipment or business insurance

4. Consumer Rights & Withdrawal General civil-law consumer principles apply. No EU-style 14-day withdrawal for fixed-date rental services. Refund rules: • Before handover: per agreement • After handover: only if unsafe, defective, or unusable.

5. Data Protection Tuvalu has no GDPR-style unified privacy law. General confidentiality norms apply. Safe Standard®: • Stores no personal data. • Payments processed externally by Stripe.

6. Enforcement & Cross-Border Cases Handled by Tuvaluan civil courts. Foreign judgments may be recognised under common-law reciprocity. Arbitration permitted with written agreement.

7. Use of Templates in Tuvalu Annex is internal reference only. Steps: 1. Rental Agreement (Country: Tuvalu) 2. Focus Checklist at handover 3. Photo Rule — No notes = No damage = No photos 4. Use Damage Invoice if needed 5. Annex is NOT given to the renter.