

Somalia Data Protection Authority

Compliance Toolkit Template

COOKIE & ONLINE TRACKING NOTICE

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1. Introduction

This notice explains how [Organization Name] uses cookies and similar technologies on its website in accordance with the transparency and consent obligations under the Somalia Data Protection Act No. 005 (2023).

2. What Are Cookies?

Cookies are small text files stored on your device when you visit a website. They allow the website to recognize your device and remember certain information about your visit.

3. Types of Cookies Used

We may use the following categories of cookies:

- **Necessary cookies** – Required for basic website functionality
- **Analytics cookies** – Used to understand how visitors interact with the website
- **Functional cookies** – Used to enhance user experience

4. Purpose of Cookies

Cookies are used to:

- Enable website functionality

- Improve user experience
- Analyze website usage and performance
- Maintain website security

5. Consent Mechanism

Non-essential cookies (such as analytics and functional cookies) are activated only after obtaining user consent.

Users are provided with a cookie banner or consent tool upon visiting the website, allowing them to:

- Accept all cookies
- Reject non-essential cookies
- Customize cookie preferences

Users may withdraw or modify their consent at any time through the cookie settings panel.

6. Cookie Retention Period

Cookies are retained for a maximum period of [insert duration – e.g., 12 months], unless deleted earlier by the user through browser settings or cookie management tools.

7. Managing Cookies

Users may manage, disable, or delete cookies through their browser settings. Please note that disabling certain cookies may affect website functionality.

8. Third-Party Cookies and Cross-Border Processing

Some cookies may be placed by third-party service providers (such as analytics providers).

Some analytics providers may process data outside Somalia. Appropriate safeguards are applied where required by law to ensure personal data remains protected in accordance with the Somalia Data Protection Act.

9. Updates to This Notice

This notice may be updated periodically to reflect changes in technology, legal requirements, or website functionality. Updated versions will be published on this website.

10. Contact Information

For inquiries regarding this Cookie & Online Tracking Notice, please contact:

[Insert Contact Details]

You also have the right to lodge a complaint with the Somalia Data Protection Authority if you believe your personal data has been processed unlawfully.

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