

# Safe Standard® – Country Annex: American Samoa / Amerika Sāmoa (2025.1 Public Template)

Valid only for rentals occurring within American Samoa.

## ENGLISH VERSION

1. National Legal Basis Relevant laws: • American Samoa Code Annotated (ASCA – contracts, obligations, liability) • U.S. federal consumer protection principles (FTC rules may apply) • Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act (E-SIGN, U.S. federal) • American Samoa Digital Records & Commerce rules • Product Safety & Standards — follows U.S. CPSC norms • Territorial Court civil procedure Jurisdiction: Territorial Court of American Samoa unless parties agree otherwise. Private rental agreements are valid under local and U.S.-aligned civil-law principles.
2. Tax and Reporting Rental income is taxable. Tax authority: American Samoa Department of Treasury. No U.S. federal income tax applies, but local territorial taxes do. Record keeping: minimum 3 years recommended.
3. Liability and Insurance Liability requires: • negligence or fault • provable actual damage • causation Gross negligence or intentional acts cannot be excluded. Safe Standard® template limits: • 270 USD per rental • 900 USD Mobility (Valid unless local law prevents limitation)  
Recommended insurance: • Liability insurance • Equipment/business insurance
4. Consumer Rights & Withdrawal Consumer protection principles follow U.S.-aligned standards. No 14-day EU-style withdrawal for fixed-date rentals. Refund rules: • Before handover: by agreement • After handover: only if unsafe, defective or unusable
5. Data Protection American Samoa does not have a unified privacy law. General U.S.-style confidentiality norms apply. Safe Standard®: • Stores no personal data • Stripe processes payment information externally
6. Enforcement & Cross-Border Cases Handled by American Samoa courts. Foreign/U.S. judgments may require formal recognition depending on jurisdiction. Arbitration allowed with written agreement.
7. Use of Templates in American Samoa Annex is internal reference only. Steps: 1. Rental Agreement (Country: American Samoa) 2. Focus Checklist at handover 3. Photo Rule — No notes = No damage = No photos 4. Damage Invoice if needed 5. Annex is NOT given to the renter.