## Safe Standard® – Country Annex: United States (2025.1 Public Template)

Valid only for rentals occurring within the United States.

## **ENGLISH VERSION**

- 1. National Legal Basis Relevant federal and state-level principles: Contract law (state-specific, common-law based) Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) governs goods, warranties, remedies Tort law negligence, duty of care Consumer protection laws (state-level; AG oversight) Federal Trade Commission (FTC) rules Jurisdiction: state court where rental occurs unless agreed otherwise. Contracts valid when offer, acceptance, consideration, and intent exist.
- 2. Tax and Reporting Rental income is taxable under IRS rules. Occasional → miscellaneous income Regular/commercial → business income Sales tax may apply depending on state. Record keeping: retain income records for 3–7 years (IRS standard).
- 3. Liability and Insurance Negligence-based liability. Cannot waive gross negligence or intentional harm. Public Template default limits: 270 USD per rental 900 USD for Mobility Insurance recommended: general liability or renter liability.
- 4. Consumer Rights & Refunds No federal withdrawal right. Refund rules follow state contract law:
- Before handover: per agreement After handover: only if defective or unsafe Disputes: state courts, small-claims courts, or mediation/ADR.
- 5. Data Protection No single federal privacy law. Relevant: FTC Act (unfair/deceptive practices) State privacy laws (e.g., CCPA in California) Safe Standard® stores no personal data; Stripe handles payment processing.
- 6. Enforcement & Cross-Border Cases State courts handle claims. Foreign judgments may need state recognition. Arbitration permitted if agreed in writing.
- 7. Use of Templates in the United States Annex is internal reference only. Steps: 1. Rental Agreement (Country of Rental: United States) 2. Focus Checklist at handover 3. Photo Rule: No notes = no damage = no photos 4. Damage Invoice if needed 5. Annex not shared with renter.