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

Valid only for rentals occurring within Barbados.

## **ENGLISH VERSION**

- 1. National Legal Basis Relevant Barbadian laws: Contract Law (common-law principles) Consumer Protection Act (Cap. 326D) Electronic Transactions Act Product Safety & Standards regulations Civil Procedure Rules Jurisdiction: Magistrates' Court or High Court where the rental occurs. Contract validity: private rental agreements are enforceable under Barbadian common-law rules.
- 2. Tax and Reporting Rental income is taxable. VAT (Value Added Tax): Standard VAT rate: 17.5% Record keeping: minimum 7 years.
- 3. Liability and Insurance Liability requires: negligence or fault actual proven damage causation Gross negligence or intent cannot be excluded. Public Template limits: 270 USD per rental 900 USD for Mobility Recommended insurance: Public liability insurance Business/commercial insurance
- 4. Consumer Rights & Withdrawal Consumer Protection Act applies. No EU-style 14-day withdrawal right for date-specific rentals. Refunds: Before handover: per agreement After handover: only in cases of defect, danger, or unusability.
- 5. Data Protection Applicable laws: Data Protection Act (2019) Safe Standard® stores no personal data; Stripe processes payments externally. Authority: Data Protection Commissioner of Barbados.
- 6. Enforcement & Cross-Border Cases Handled by Barbadian civil courts. Foreign judgments require formal recognition. Arbitration allowed if agreed in writing.
- 7. Use of Templates in Barbados Annex is internal reference only. Steps: 1. Rental Agreement (Country: Barbados) 2. Focus Checklist at handover 3. Photo Rule: No notes = no damage = no photos needed 4. Damage Invoice if required 5. Annex is not shared with the renter.