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Privacy and Data Protection

FCDC is committed to protecting your privacy and ensuring your personal information is handled securely and transparently.

1. Information We Collect

Online Policy Tracker Web Application

This tool is designed to gather and present up-to-date information on policies, regulations, and Acts passed by FCDC member counties concerning Water and Water Resources Management. It offers summarized details of all enacted documents across the FCDC counties, while also allowing users to view information specific to each individual county.

The Policy Tracker does not collect sensitive personal information such as national IDs, financial data, or biometric identifiers.

Personal Information

You may voluntarily provide personal details such as your name, email address, phone number, or organization when contacting us through forms or subscriptions.

Non-Personal Information

We use analytics tools (such as Google Analytics) to collect data about site usage, including IP addresses, browser types, and page visits. This helps us improve user experience and site performance.

2. How We Use Your Information

- Track progress on implementation of water sector policy/regulatory documents.
- To respond to your inquiries or requests,
- To improve website functionality and user experience, and
- To generate anonymized statistics about site traffic and performance.

FCDC does **not sell or rent** your personal information to third parties.

3. Information Sharing

Personal data is shared **internally** within FCDC only when necessary for communication or service delivery.

Non-personal (aggregated) data may be shared with trusted partners for analytics and reporting purposes.

4. Data Storage and Security

Your data is securely stored within FCDC's systems and on third-party cloud platforms that comply with international data protection standards.

We employ SSL/TLS encryption (via Let's Encrypt), authentication mechanisms i.e JWT and other measures to safeguard information against unauthorized access.

5. Data Retention

We retain personal data only for as long as necessary to fulfill its intended purpose or as required by law. Aggregated analytics data may be retained indefinitely for statistical purposes.

6. Your Rights

You may request to access, update, or delete your personal information by emailing info@fcdc.or.ke. We will process such requests in accordance with Kenya's **Data Protection Act, 2019**.

7. Ownership

All data collected through the Policy Tracker remains the property of FCDC and the respective county governments contributing such data. FCDC may grant public, restricted, or partner-level access to portions of this data through dashboards or reports in line with data-sharing agreements.

General Terms

1. Prohibited Use

You agree not to:

- Use the site for unlawful, defamatory, or fraudulent purposes;
- Infringe on intellectual property rights; or
- Use the FCDC name or logo without prior written authorization.

2. Disclaimer and Limitation of Liability

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3. Indemnification

You agree to indemnify and hold harmless FCDC, its officers, employees, and partners from any claims, damages, or losses arising out of your use of the site or violation of these Terms.

4. Governing Law and Dispute Resolution

These Terms are governed by the laws of the **Republic of Kenya**.

Any dispute arising out of or relating to the site shall be resolved amicably. If unresolved, disputes shall be submitted to arbitration in accordance with the **Arbitration Act (Kenya, 1995)**.

The arbitration shall take place in **Nairobi, Kenya**, in **English**.

5. No Waiver

Failure by FCDC to enforce any provision of these Terms shall not constitute a waiver of its rights under these Terms.

Contact Us

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