



**COMMUNICATIONS
AUTHORITY OF KENYA**

PUBLIC NOTICE

EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON INDUSTRY GUIDELINES FOR CHILD ONLINE PROTECTION AND SAFETY IN KENYA

The Communications Authority of Kenya (CA) is the regulatory authority for the ICT industry in Kenya with responsibilities in telecommunications, cybersecurity, e-commerce, broadcasting and postal/courier services. CA is also responsible for managing the country's numbering and frequency spectrum resources, administering the Universal Service Fund (USF) as well as protecting interests of users of ICT.

Pursuant to Section 23 of the Kenya Information and Communications Act 1998 and Regulation 4,9 and 21 of the Kenya Information and Communications (Consumer Protection), Regulations 2010, the Authority is charged with protecting consumer of communication services and facilitating the development and implementation of appropriate operational and technical measures to safeguard consumers. These safeguards include mechanisms to ensure that children, being vulnerable consumers, have a safer internet experience in Kenya.

In this regard, the Authority has developed "Industry guidelines for child online protection and safety in Kenya". The Authority wishes to submit the above guidelines for public consultation.

Stakeholders, including the general public and all interested parties, are invited to review the proposed industry guidelines for child online protection and safety in Kenya and provide any suggestion(s) with justification(s), views and inputs in enhancing its implementation. .

The said guidelines are available on the Authority's website at: <https://ca.go.ke/consumers/public-consultations/open-consultations/>

The Authority would like to inform stakeholders, interested parties and the public that the consultation period has been extended to 20th May 2022 and request for inputs and comments which will inform any changes to the final industry guidelines for child online protection and safety in Kenya.

Written submissions can be forwarded to the Authority through cop@ca.go.ke or the address below on or before the stated deadline.

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