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Terms and Conditions



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1. Terms of Use:

1. The rules of use of SAGIA Website shall apply to all visitors and users of the Website. The use of the Website may be suspended, prevented and/or terminated in the event of a violation by user, or if there are grounds to believe that user has violated the Terms and Conditions of Use.

2. Users shall be prohibited from violating, or attempting to violate, the applicable rules and procedures of Website protection, such as, but not limited to, the following:

- Accessing to data that is not intended to be provided to this user, or access to server or account that the user is not authorized to access
- Attempting to test, scan or examine the vulnerability of the system or network of the Authority, or violate the integrity of the procedures or document them without an official authorization from SAGIA.
- Attempting to intervene in the service provided to any user, host or network, including, but not limited to, by placing a virus in, overloading, flooding, sending ad messages to, spamming or destroying the Website.
- Sending spam messages to the Website, including advertising of products or services; falsifying any TCP address / IP address or any part of address information in any email; or sending newsgroup messages.
- Using SAGIA Website in any way whatsoever to send any email or any of its contents, on its behalf, by referring to it or by impersonating its name or capacity, including insults or defamations to SAGIA, Website or any person; or reporting incorrect news or information and unlawfully attributing it to SAGIA.
- Violation of the rules of use and the system / network expose the violator to legal accountability. The cases involving such violations, breaches shall be immediately investigated and the violator shall be prosecuted.



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2. Notice of Disclaimer:

SAGIA shall not, under any circumstances, be liable for any direct, indirect, incidental, consequential, special or exceptional damages arising out of the use or inability to use this Website.



3. Disclaimer of External Hyperlinks:

Links to other websites are posted on this Website, taking into account the needs of users. SAGIA shall not be responsible for the contents on such websites, for the use of them by any person, for its proper work nor for any problems that may arise from their use.

Users shall be solely responsible for all their acts while using any of the websites they visit through those links on this Website.



4. Hyperlinks from other Websites:

1. This e-portal of SAGIA (hereinafter referred to as “EServices Portal / SAGIA”) is available for your personal use. Your access to and use of this Portal is subject to these Terms and Conditions of Use. Your access to this Portal shall be deemed as an unconditional approval to the Terms and Conditions of Use, whether you are a registered user or not. Such approval shall apply from the date of your first use of this Portal.

2. The use of the Portal includes a number of terms and conditions that are subject to updates and amendments as necessary. Any amendment or update to any of such terms and conditions shall take effect immediately upon the approval thereof by the Portal management. This requires you to regularly review the terms of use and the disclaimer principles for any updates. Your continued use of this Portal means that you are fully informed of and accepts any amendments to the terms and conditions of use thereof, given that these terms and conditions include proprietary rights. The Portal management shall not be required to announce any updates made to such terms.



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5. Restrictions on Use:

By using the EServices Portal / SAGIA, you agree to refrain from:

1. Providing or uploading files containing software, materials, data or other information that you do not own or have license thereof.
2. Using this Portal in any way to send any commercial or spam emails or any abuse of this kind to the EServices Portal / SAGIA.
3. Providing or uploading files on this Portal containing viruses or corrupted data.
4. Publishing, posting, distributing or circulating materials or information containing defamation, violation of laws, pornographic or obscene material, materials contrary to Islamic teachings or public morals, or any illegal material or information.
5. Participation, through the EServices Portal / SAGIA, in illicit or illegal activities in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
6. Advertising - on the EServices Portal / SAGIA - any product or service that makes us in violation of any law or regulation applicable in any field.
7. Using any mean, program or procedure to intercept or attempt to intercept the correct operation of EServices Portal / SAGIA.
8. Performing any action that imposes an unreasonable, significant or inappropriate load on the infrastructure of EServices Portal / SAGIA.



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6. Links to EServices Portal / SAGIA (SAGIA Website / E-Service):

1. Except as set out below, it is prohibited to transfer or copy any of the contents of the EServices Portal / SAGIA, to create any links to them or to display any of them in a framework.
2. Links to EServices Portal / SAGIA can be placed in any other websites whose objectives and orientation do not conflict with the general objectives, policies and frameworks of EServices Portal / SAGIA.
3. In no event shall SAGIA be involved in or associated in any way with any trade or service marks, logos or symbols, or any other means used or displayed in the websites linked to this Portal or any of its contents.
4. SAGIA reserves the full rights to stop and disable any link in any form from any website containing inappropriate, obscene, transgressive, scandalous, pornographic, unsuitable, unacceptable or illegal content, or names, material or information that violate any law, any intellectual property rights, privacy rights or publicity rights.
5. SAGIA reserves the right to disable any unauthorized link, and shall not be responsible for the contents available in any other website accessed through this Portal or from which this Portal is accessed.



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7. Links from E-Services Portal / SAGIA:

Links to other portals and/or websites are provided for the convenience of the visitor. We shall not be responsible for the contents or credibility of portals and/or websites to which we are linked and do not endorse their contents. Therefore, the use of any of such links to access to such websites or portals shall be at your own risk.

Since we aim to replace broken (non-functioning) links in other websites, and since we do not have control over those links, we do not guarantee in any way that these links will function permanently.



8. Virus Protection:

1. We make every effort to examine and test the contents of this Portal at all stages of production. We recommend that you always run an anti-virus program for all materials downloaded from the internet. We shall not be responsible for any loss, interruption or damage to your data or computer that may occur while connecting to this Portal or using material downloaded from this Portal.



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9. Waiver of Claims:

1. The EServices Portal / SAGIA and services, information, materials and jobs available in or accessible through the Portal are provided for your personal use “as is” and “as available” without any endorsement, promise or guarantee of any kind. We do not guarantee or assume responsibility for any interruptions, errors or irregularities that may arise from the use of this Portal, its contents or any website linked thereto - whether with or without our knowledge.
2. Any communications or information that the user may send through this Portal shall not be the property of the user, and the user shall not have the right to ensure their confidentiality. Any use or interactive use contained in this Portal does not guarantee, and does not intend to guarantee, any rights, licenses or privileges to the user.
3. The Authority's waiver of any right available to it and specified in these Terms and Conditions in a place or an event shall not be deemed as an automatic and permanent waiver of any rights in other places and events.



10. Limits of Liability:

1. The e-services provided by EServices Portal / SAGIA and obtaining information about the different departments and government agencies are provided only to facilitate the manual procedures. You hereby acknowledge that you are aware that communications via internet may be intervened or intercepted by third parties, that the Portal does not replace information provided by the official authorities and that administrative requests and procedures can be taken directly before the competent authorities.
2. Using this Portal shall remain at your own risk. We shall not be responsible in any way for any loss or damage of any kind that you may incur due to your use of or visit to the Portal or your reliance on any statement, opinion or advertisement in the Portal, or that may result from any delay in operation, connection failure, problems in internet access, hardware or software breakdowns, behavior or ideas of any person accessing to this Portal. You hereby acknowledge and agree that your sole remedy for any damage or loss that may occur as a result of your access to or use of this Portal is to refrain from using or accessing to it.



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11. Compensation:

You hereby acknowledge that you shall not take any action against SAGIA or any of its departments, and you shall compensate and hold harmless SAGIA and any bodies, employees or agents responsible for the management, maintenance, updating or provision of EServices Portal / SAGIA, for and against all liabilities and responsibilities that may arise in connection with any claim arising out of any breach by you of the Terms and Conditions of Use or any applicable law, whether in KSA or where you reside.



12. Termination of Usage:

In our sole discretion, we may terminate, restrict or suspend your right to access to and use the Portal without notice for any reason, including violation of Terms and Conditions of Use or any other conduct that we may deem unlawful or harmful to others. In the event of termination, you shall not have access to this Portal.



13. Property Rights:

1. This Portal belongs to SAGIA, and all materials on this Portal, including images of information and software (contents), are protected by copyright, trademark and other forms of property rights.
2. You may not sell, license, rent, amend, copy, reproduce, reprint, upload, advertise, transmit, distribute, publicly display, edit or create materials derived from any material or content from this Portal to the public or for commercial purposes without prior written approval from SAGIA.
3. It is strictly prohibited to amend any contents of the Portal. The graphics and images in this Portal are protected by copyright and may not be reproduced or used in any manner without prior written consent from SAGIA.



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14. Jurisdiction:

You hereby agree that you shall be subject solely to the judicial authorities of KSA in respect of all claims and disputes arising from your use of this Portal. The Arabic language shall be the official language used to resolve any disputes arising out of your use of the Portal or any of its contents.



15. Privacy Policy:

Key Terms:

Personal Data:

We may collect some personal information about the user such as: (name, address, email, IP address and mobile number).

What information do we collect through our Website?

We collect information about you when you register on our Website or when you fill out a form, such as asking you to enter your name or email address upon request or register on our Website, as the case may be.

You can visit our Website anonymously. In such case, we collect your cookie information and your IP address, and store all the information you enter on the “Contact Us” menu on our Website, as well as other information such as first name, last name, company name, phone number and email address.

In addition, we store other information on the eServices Portal in order to process licensing services such as: entity details and authorized contact details: mobile number, e-mail address and full name.



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How do we use the information we collect?

The information we collect when you login to the Website can be used in one of the following ways:

- Customize your experience. Your private information helps us better respond to your individual needs.
- Improve our Website. We are constantly seeking to improve our Website offers based on the information and feedback we receive from you.
- Improve customer service. Your information helps us to respond more effectively to customer service requests and support needs.
- Process transactions and responses. Ensure that your information, whether public or private, is not sold, exchanged, transferred or given to any other party for any reason, without your consent, and that our goal is always to provide better services to your investments and develop the investment environment in Saudi Arabia.
- Send periodic emails. This feature is provided for subscribers to newsletters. Periodic emails are sent to the email address you provided to us to process requests, and may be used to send information and updates to your request, as well as news of SAGIA, updates, related products, information service, etc.
- Manage promotional alerts, questionnaires or other Website features. Knowing your IP address helps us improve our Website. Given that SAGIA is an investment promotion organization in Saudi Arabia, knowing where the visitors of our Website are located provides very important data to customize your experience.





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Who do we share processed data with?

- Information Technology Department and Investment Services Sector.
- governmental authorities.

Where is the data processed?

Data is processed inside Saudi Arabia and may, in some cases, be transferred to suppliers and subcontractors outside Saudi Arabia.

How long do we keep your personal information?

We do not keep information for more than the specified purpose of keeping thereof.

What rights do you have as a user?

Accessibility: You can request a copy of the data we have processed.

Right to amend: You may correct or complete personal data.

Right to delete: You can request deletion of all personal data we have processed.

Right to object to certain types of processing, such as: (avoid direct marketing).

How do we protect your information?

We take a variety of security measures to maintain the integrity of your personal data. In addition, all passwords entered are encrypted.

What kind of information do we use in our analytical reports?

We use Google Analytics to analyze the websites that obtain information from IP addresses to show information such as: country, city, device, visited pages and session time for each page visited. These reports are used internally only for the purposes of analyzing and developing the Website.



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Do we use cookies?

Yes we do.

Third Party Links:

Sometimes, we include or provide third party services (mostly from governmental authorities or other ministries in Saudi Arabia). These third-party websites have their own privacy policies, so we encourage you to read their privacy policies because they may not be legally or contextually compatible with the Privacy Policy of SAGIA.

Online Privacy Policy:

The Online Privacy Policy applies to information collected through our Website while you are online, not to information collected while you are offline.

Your Consent:

By using our Website, you agree to our Privacy Policy.

Changes to the Privacy Policy:

If we decide to change our Privacy Policy, changes will be posted in this page, indicating the date of their occurrence. This policy was last modified on 2018/08/06.

Connect Us:

If you have any questions about this Privacy Policy, you can contact us through this page.



15. General Terms and Conditions:

1. The Arabic language is the primary language for using the Portal and benefiting from all materials published on it. Translation of any materials may be provided to provide added service. Therefore, the translation shall not be relied upon when interpreting any dispute on the content contained in the Portal.



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2. All regulations and laws published in the eServices Portal / SAGIA or other bodies may be subject to translation in order to interpret the meaning for the purpose of increasing the benefit. However, the Arabic text of all such regulations and laws shall be the main reference. Therefore, the translation shall not be relied upon extract any Information or details.

3. The Client agrees and undertakes that any person in charge of providing any service of the Authority through the eServices Portal / SAGIA shall be the authorized person and shall have all powers and authorizations necessary to provide the service. He also acknowledges that all information and attached documents are correct and he shall bear full legal responsibility if it turns out to be otherwise. In addition, he acknowledges and undertakes to comply with the special requirements.

4. The entities requesting services from eServices Portal / SAGIA shall submit any papers or documents required by the Authority, whether before or after obtaining the service.

5. SAGIA shall be entitled to inquire about the requesting entity from any governmental or private body, inside or outside KSA, in order to verify the validity of data or information provided by the entity, and the entity shall not be entitled to object to such procedures.

6. SAGIA shall be entitled to use the information of entities requesting services or licenses before or after the issuance of the service or license in its various reports. In addition, it may involve a third party in information and data of the licensed investment in the manner it deems fit.

7. SAGIA shall be entitled to issue an inquiry certificate about the licensed establishment to those who request it - whether the establishments or individuals who wish to ascertain the status of the establishment before dealing with it or by the establishment itself if it so wishes - indicating any irregularities or complaints registered on the establishment, whether or not such irregularities have been decided and judged.

8. The establishments requesting a new investment license or modification service for an existing investment license shall comply with the minimum limits of capital and national participation percentage according to the following table:





| | Licence Type | Acceptable Minimum Limit of Capital | Minimum Percentage of Saudi Partner |
|----|---|--|-------------------------------------|
| 1 | Commercial with a Saudi partner | 26,666,667 Foreign capital share shall not be less than 20 million Saudi Riyal Partnership percentage shall not be more than 75% | ٪25 |
| | 100% foriegn commercial | 30,000,000 | - |
| 2 | Communication | - | ٪40 |
| 3 | Value added communication | - | ٪30 |
| 4 | Insurance | - | ٪40 |
| 5 | Reinsurance | - | ٪40 |
| 6 | Mortgage financing | 200,000,000 | ٪40 |
| 7 | Real estate development | * Project value shall not be less than 30,000,000 plots and buildings outside the Two Holy Mosques | - |
| 8 | Management of construction projects, development of engineering designs and procurement of material (EPC) | - | ٪25 |
| 9 | Public transportation (transportation by buses inside towns) | 500,000 | ٪30 |
| 10 | Public transportation (transportation by metro inside towns) | 500,000 | ٪20 |
| 11 | Joint-stock companies | 500,000 | - |

* Limits are specified for the cost of one project to be established. There is no minimum limit for the capital of real estate development projects



9. The establishments requesting a new investment license or modification service for an existing investment license shall comply with the terms and obligations of each investment activity as follows:

Requirements for obtaining a license for public transportation activities:

- Applying the nationalization percentages stipulated in the transportation services of the Ministry of Labor and Social Development, as amended.
- The record of establishments requesting license shall not contain decisions to revoke their licenses, inside or outside KSA, for the ten years preceding the request for license.
- The record of establishments requesting license shall not contain any notes or penalties, issued inside or outside KSA, regarding traffic safety for the ten years preceding the request for license.
- Approving the use of public transportation - in the event of disasters, crises and wars - as issued by the concerned authorities in the Saudi Arabia.
- Technical specification and production method of the product shall conform to the Saudi, Gulf or international standards.
- Submission of annual security levels improvement plans to the Public Transport Authority for review.

Requirements for obtaining a 100% foreign commercial license:

When applying for renewal of the license after its expiry, the company requesting a 100% foreign commercial license shall:

1. The company shall achieve the following standards during the first five years:

- The company shall apply the Saudi employment percentages as determined by the Ministry of Labor and Social Development, and the develop and implement a program to put them in leadership positions in the first five years and ensure their continuation.
- The company shall annually train (30%) of Saudi employees.



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2. The company shall commit to one of the following options:

- **Option 1:** The company shall invest an amount of not less than SAR 300 million (including SAR 30 million - the company's cash capital) over a period of (5) years from the date of obtaining the investment license.

- **Option 2:** The company shall invest an amount of not less than SAR 200 million (including SAR 30 million - the company's cash capital) over a period of (5) years from the date of obtaining the investment license. In addition, it shall meet one or more of the following requirements in the first five years:

The establishment shall not be entitled to request renewal if neither of the two criteria nor one of the above options are met.



Requirements for obtaining a permanent contracting license:

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| Criteria | Minimum |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Manufacturing | ٪30 or more of company products locally distributed shall be manufactured inside KSA |
| Research and Development Programs | ٪5 or more of total sales shall be allocated for the establishment of research and development programs inside KSA |
| Logistics and Distribution | A regional center shall be established to provide such services, and after-sales services shall be provided |

The company requesting a permanent contracting license from SAGIA shall:

When applying for a license renewal after expiration, one of the following criteria shall be met:

Criterion 1 is to obtain classification of third degree issued by the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs in KSA.

Criterion 2 is to achieve financial or technical requirements in the table below:





| Technical Criteria | | Financial Criteria | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Criterion | Minimum | Criterion | Minimum | |
| Fixed assets (SAR million) | 10 | Equipment (number) | 7 | |
| | | Manpower | Occupations | Saudi (minimum) |
| Engineers | 5 | | 7 | |
| Technicians | 3 | | 10 | |
| Administrators | 5 | | 2 | |
| Range | Green medium | | | |
| Revenues (SAR million) | 15 | | | |

The establishment shall not be entitled to request renewal if neither of the above two criteria is met.

Requirements for obtaining a license for recruitment agents and leasing of domestic worker services:

- Submission of a certificate of not less than three years of experience.
- Applying the nationalization percentages stipulated in the housekeeping services and workers provision of the Ministry of Labor and Social Development, as amended.
- The record of establishments requesting license shall not contain decisions to revoke / withdraw / suspend their licenses, inside or outside KSA, by a decision or judgment as a result of violating regulations, bylaws and laws.
- The record of natural partners / company manager shall not contain any crime involving a breach of honor and honesty, or any irregularities related to the provisions regulating the protection of children or combating trafficking in persons or forced labor.
- The presence of a website that includes all details related to the services provided by the company.
- Submission of financial statements of the company requesting license for the last three years.
- Obtaining an operational license from the Ministry of Labor and Social Development.



Requirements for obtaining a license for colleges and universities:

Application of curricula, educational strategies and tools of measuring outputs in the Kingdom's branch according to their counterparts in the educational institution in its original country, while adhering to the cultural identity of the Kingdom.

- Adoption of the best global applications in the education sector, including, but not limited to, e-learning, interactive teaching, etc.
- Providing academic programs in universities and colleges as determined by the Ministry of Education and according to the need of the Saudi labor market.
- Limiting the non-Saudi faculty membership in the Kingdom to the employees of the educational institution in its country, with whom they have a contractual relationship of not less than three years.
- Employment of Saudis according to the percentages determined by the Ministry of Labor and Social Development, and development and implementation of plans to put them in leadership positions.
- Obtaining an operational license from the Ministry of Education.

10. The establishment requesting voluntary cancellation of the investment license shall comply with the following conditions and obligations:

- Termination of labor contracts.
- Closing the premises of the establishment and stopping the activity.
- Not to work or exercise activities, whether directly or indirectly.

