

Law of Electronic Transfer of Private Entity Client Information to the Ministry of Interior National Information Center (Shomoos Security System)

Article 1

In this Law, the following terms and phrases shall have the meanings assigned thereto, unless the context requires otherwise:

- 1. Shomoos:** The National Information Network's central automated system which transmits information to the Ministry of Interior's National Information Center via networks licensed by the Communications and Information Technology Commission.
- 2. Ministry:** The Ministry of Interior.
- 3. Government Agencies:** The agencies responsible for granting licenses to private entities to engage in the activities provided in this Law.
- 4. Information:** The information and data of the clients of private entities which must be transmitted via Shomoos to the Ministry's National Information Center.
- 5. Private Entity:** Any company, sole proprietorship, office, or shop in the private sector that is required under this Law to subscribe to Shomoos.
- 6. Client:** A natural person who benefits from services provided by a private entity.

Article 2

This Law aims to set general rules for the electronic transfer of the information of clients of private entities to the Ministry's National Information Center via Shomoos, and to specify the manner of recording violations and to determine their penalties.

Article 3

This Law shall apply to any private entity that engages in the following activities and services:

1. Tourist accommodation facilities.

2. Car rental.
3. Purchasing gold and jewelry from clients.
4. Transporting passengers between cities inside the Kingdom or abroad.
5. Transporting vehicles.
6. Real estate rental.
7. Sports centers.
8. Selling deregistered vehicles (scrap yards).

Article 4

The Ministry shall be in charge of operating Shomoos and supervising its application and development.

Article 5

The Ministry shall coordinate with government agencies to ensure they are linked to Shomoos, and shall determine the type of information that must be entered into the system and the manner in which such information is exchanged and utilized. Any violation of this Law shall be reported via Shomoos.

Article 6

The Ministry shall, in coordination with government agencies, set a mechanism to ensure that a private entity subscribes to Shomoos prior to license issuance or renewal.

Article 7

A private entity must:

1. subscribe to Shomoos;
2. enter all required information;

3. enter the information correctly; and
4. enter the information immediately after the transaction is executed.

Article 8

1. The Ministry shall verify compliance of private entities with this Law, record violations, and impose prescribed penalties.
2. The Ministry shall coordinate with government agencies in setting the procedures necessary for such agencies, each according to its jurisdiction, to report private entities which violate the provisions of this Law.

Article 9

Without prejudice to any harsher penalty provided for in any other law, a private entity which violates this Law shall be subject to the following penalties:

1. Upon violation of Article 7(1) of this Law, the penalties shall be imposed in the following order:
 - a) A warning.
 - b) A fine of ten thousand riyals for failing to subscribe within 30 days from the date of being notified of the warning.
 - c) A fine of twenty-five thousand riyals for failing to subscribe within 30 days from the date of being notified of the decision to impose the fine referred to in paragraph (1)(b) of this Article.
 - d) Suspension of the activity for failing to subscribe within 30 days from the date of being notified of the decision to impose the fine referred to in paragraph (1)(c) of this Article; this penalty shall be imposed in coordination with the relevant government agencies, ensuring that no harm is sustained by the clients. Such suspension shall be lifted upon subscription to Shomoos.
2. Upon violation of Article 7(2), (3), and (4) of this Law, the penalties shall be imposed

in the following order:

- a) A warning, if the violation is committed for the first time.
- b) A fine of five thousand riyals if the same violation is committed for the second time within six months from the date of committing the first violation.
- c) A fine of twenty-five thousand riyals if the same violation is committed for the third time within six months from the date of committing the second violation.
- d) Suspension of the activity for a period not exceeding 60 days if the same violation is committed for the fourth time within six months from the date of committing the third violation; this penalty shall be imposed in coordination with the relevant government agencies, ensuring that no harm is sustained by the clients.

Article 10

The penalties stipulated in Article 9 of this Law shall be issued pursuant to a decision by the Minister of Interior or his designee. A person who files with the Ministry an objection to the penalty decision issued against him may file an appeal with the administrative court within 60 days from the date his objection is rejected or after the lapse of 60 days without a decision being made thereon, in accordance with the provisions of the Law of Procedures before the Board of Grievances.

Article 11

The Ministry shall take all necessary measures to ensure the privacy of private entities and the confidentiality of information, and to ensure that such information is used only for its designated purposes.

Article 12

Subscription to Shomoos shall be at no cost.

Article 13

The Minister of Interior shall issue the Implementing Regulations of this Law within 90 days from the Law's date of issuance.

Article 14

This Law shall enter into force 90 days following the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.