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THE ELECTRONIC POSTAL COMMUNICATIONS ACT,
(CAP.306)

REGULATIONS

(Made under section 165)

THE ELECTRONIC AND POSTAL COMMUNICATIONS (ONLINE CONTENT)
(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2025

Citation
GN. No.
538 of 2020

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Electronic and Postal Communications (Online Content) (Amendment) Regulations, 2025 and shall be read as one with the Electronic and Postal Communications (Online Content) Regulations, 2020 hereinafter referred to as the “principal Regulations”.

Amendment of
regulation 2

2. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 2 by inserting the words “internet service providers,” between the words “online content service providers” and “application services licensees”.

Amendment of
regulation 3

3. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 3, by deleting the definition of the term “application service licensee”.

Amendment of
regulation 6

4. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 6 by deleting subregulation (1) and substituting for it the following:

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57 of 2018

“(1) A person who intends to provide online media services shall apply to the Authority by filling an application form prescribed in the First Schedule as customised in the Licensing Management System Portal of the Authority and pay fees prescribed in the

Electronic and Postal Communications
(Licensing) Regulations.”.

Amendment of
Part III

5. The principal Regulations are amended by deleting the heading to Part III and substituting for it the following:

“PART III
OBLIGATIONS OF ONLINE MEDIA SERVICE
PROVIDERS AND INTERNET SERVICE
PROVIDERS.”.

Addition of
regulation 9A

6. The principal Regulations are amended by adding immediately after regulation 9 the following:

“Internet
service
provider
obligations

9A. An internet service provider shall-

- (a) establish, adopt, maintain and deploy mechanisms to prevent, restrict and bar access to prohibited content in the Tanzania cyberspace through the services provided;
- (b) ensure its customers are made aware of the requirements on prevention to access, distribute or publication of prohibited content;
- (c) not host prohibited content where an internet service provider provides hosting services.”.

Addition of
regulation 15A

“Social
media
platform
owner
obligation

15A. A social media platform owner shall deploy a mechanism of filtering and removing prohibited content from their platforms.”.

Amendment of
regulation 16

7. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 16(1) by deleting the word “Third”.

Deletion of
Second

8. The principal Regulations are amended by-

Schedule

- (a) deleting the Second Schedule; and
- (b) renaming the Third Schedule as Second Schedule.

Amendment of
Schedule

9. The principal Regulations are amended in paragraph (1) of the Schedule as renamed by adding immediately after subparagraph (c) the following:
“(d) unethical, fabricated and artificial intelligence generated content including video clips, audio and still pictures.”.

Dodoma,
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