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AML & KYC Policy

How identity verification and anti-money-laundering controls work on the platform, and the division of responsibility between Khepee and the licensed institution.

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IN PLAIN LANGUAGE

- Identity verification is mandatory before any disbursement, with no override.
- The licensed institution owns the AML obligation; Khepee provides the tooling and the evidence.
- Documents are encrypted, and every access is recorded with a stated purpose.
- Suspicious activity is escalated to the institution, which makes any regulatory report.

This summary is provided to aid understanding. It is not a substitute for the formal text, which governs.

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1 Scope and responsibility

1.1 Who owns the obligation

Anti-money-laundering and customer due diligence obligations rest with the licensed institution. Khepee is a technology provider and is not itself a reporting entity in respect of the lending.

1.2 What Khepee supplies

Verification workflow, encrypted document storage, duplicate detection, screening integration points, an append-only audit trail and reporting extracts.

1.3 What the institution supplies

Its risk appetite, its customer acceptance policy, its screening lists and providers, its reporting officer and its regulatory reporting.

1.4 Not legal advice

This document describes platform behaviour. It is not legal advice and does not replace the institution's own AML policy.

2 Customer identification

2.1 Mandatory before disbursement

No disbursement can occur without a verified identity. This is enforced structurally in the application state machine and cannot be overridden.

2.2 Accepted documents

Citizenship certificate, national identity card, passport, driving licence and voter identity card. The first three are treated as primary proof of identity.

2.3 Data captured

Document type, number, issuing district and date where applicable, and images of the relevant faces of the document.

2.4 Biometric check

A verification selfie and liveness check may be required, at the institution's configuration. The provider sits behind an interface and is chosen by the institution.

2.5 Human review

An automated result is advisory. A person at the institution records the verification decision.

2.6 Rejection requires a reason

A rejected verification cannot be saved without a written reason, which is retained.

2.7 Expiry and re-verification

Verifications carry an expiry. An application whose verification has lapsed returns to review rather than proceeding on stale evidence.

2.8 Duplicate detection

A deterministic keyed index over encrypted identifiers detects repeat applications within an institution without decrypting stored values.

3 Ongoing monitoring

3.1 Transaction records

Disbursements and repayments are recorded as immutable events with external references from the institution's rails.

3.2 Pattern visibility

Repeat applications, rapid re-borrowing and unusual repayment patterns are surfaced to the institution for its assessment.

3.3 Screening integration

Sanctions and politically-exposed-person screening integrate through the same vendor-interface discipline as identity verification.

3.4 Escalation

Where the platform surfaces a concern, it is escalated to the institution. Khepee does not make a suspicion determination or file a report.

3.5 Institution reporting

Any suspicious transaction report or regulatory notification is made by the institution under its own obligations.

3.6 Tipping off

Platform personnel must not disclose to a borrower that a concern has been escalated.

4 Records and evidence

4.1 Retention period

Borrower records are retained for five years after loan closure, consistent with anti-money-laundering record-keeping expectations.

4.2 Immutable trail

Verification submissions, decisions, reasons and reviewers are written to an append-only record that cannot be edited or deleted.

4.3 Access is purpose-bound

Every access to verification data declares a purpose from a fixed list and is recorded with the person and time.

4.4 Encrypted storage

Document numbers and personal fields are encrypted at rest. Document images are stored as keys and served only through short-lived signed links.

4.5 Examiner access

Records can be produced for the institution and its regulator, filtered by borrower, period or officer.

4.6 Export discipline

Bulk export requires a distinct permission and a declared purpose, and is itself recorded.

5 Governance

5.1 Institution reporting officer

Each partner institution nominates the officer responsible for AML matters, and platform escalations are routed to them.

5.2 Configuration change control

Changes to verification requirements are configuration changes recorded in the audit trail with the person who made them.

5.3 Vendor approval

No verification or screening vendor is enabled without the institution's written selection. The platform ships with no real provider connected.

5.4 Training

Officer training covers the verification workflow, the reasons requirement and the escalation route.

5.5 Review

This document is reviewed at least annually and whenever a relevant directive changes.

5.6 Contact

aml@khepee.com for escalation of platform-level AML matters; compliance@khepee.com for regulatory correspondence.

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