



NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION



RESEARCH LICENSING IN KENYA

The National Commission for Science, Technology and Innovation (NACOSTI) is a state corporation established under the Science, Technology and Innovation Act, 2013 (Revised 2014). The mandate of the Commission is to regulate and assure quality in the science, technology and innovation sector and advise the Government on matters related thereto.

Section 17 (1) of the Science, Technology and Innovation Act, 2013 requires all persons intending to undertake research in the country to apply to the Commission for the grant of a Research Licence. Research refers to any investigation or inquiry or interview that aims to collect data or information, academic or non-academic, that will lead to new information and/or knowledge.

Requirements

Applicants must apply online through the NACOSTI website or oris.nacosti.go.ke and must upload the following:

- Passport size photo
- Scanned ID/Passport
- Affiliation letter from relevant local institution for foreigners
- Research proposal
- Introductory letter for students
- Certificate of ethical clearance of the research (where applicable)
- Evidence of payment as the last page of the uploaded proposal

Conditions

1. The Licence is valid for the proposed research, site and specified period.
2. Both the Licence and any rights thereunder are non-transferable.
3. NACOSTI may monitor and evaluate the research .
4. The Licensee shall report to relevant government offices in the area of research before commencement.
5. Excavation, filming and collection of specimens are subject to further permissions from relevant government agencies.
6. The Licence does not give authority to transfer research materials.
7. The Licensee shall submit one hard copy and upload a soft copy of their final report within one year of completion of the research.
8. NACOSTI reserves the right to modify the conditions of the Licence including its cancellation without prior notice.

Duration of the Research Licence: One year

Category of Research Licence	Service Cost to:		
	EAC Citizens (Kshs)	Rest of Africa (Kshs)	Non Africans (US\$)
• Undergraduate/Diploma	100	200	150
• Masters	1,000	2,000	350
• PhD	2,000	4,000	400
• Individual/Post Doc	5,000	10,000	500
• Public Institutions	10,000	20,000	1,000
• Private Institutions/Companies/NGOs	20,000	40,000	10,000
Timeline:	30 days		

BANK DETAILS

Kenya Shillings Account

Bank: Kenya Commercial Bank Branch: Kipande House

Account Name: National Commission for Science, Technology and Innovation

Account Number: 1104162547

Swift Code: KCBLKENX

Transaction Description: Research Licence Fee

US Dollar Account

Bank: NIC Bank Branch: City Centre

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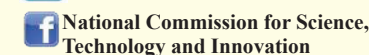
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