

SAFE-LINK AFRICA

Technical Documentation Manual

1. SYSTEM OVERVIEW

SafeLink Africa is a continent-wide safety ecosystem that connects individuals, families, transport users, communities, and emergency responders through a unified platform combining:

- Emergency Alert & Rapid Response System
- Community Safety Reporting
- Safe Transport Monitoring
- Women & Family Safety Layer
- Smart Home Security (IoT)
- Admin Dashboard for Organizations & Agencies

The system supports Android, iOS, and web. Built with a microservices architecture, real-time communication engine, encrypted databases, and optional IoT hardware.

2. SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

2.1 High-Level Architecture Components

- Mobile App (React Native / Flutter)
- Backend (Node.js + Python microservices; Firebase optional)
- Real-Time Engine (Socket.IO / WebRTC)
- Video Streaming Server
- Encrypted Cloud Database (PostgreSQL / Firestore)
- IoT Gateway & MQTT Broker
- Admin Console (React / Next.js)
- Government & Security Partner API

2.2 Architecture Style

- Distributed microservices

- Event-driven real-time messaging
- End-to-end encrypted communication

2.3 Core Services

- User Authentication Service
- Emergency Trigger Service
- Video/Audio Streaming Service
- Location Tracking Service
- Reporting & Evidence Storage Service
- Trip Monitoring Service
- Women Safety Service
- IoT Security Service
- Notification & Alert Engine

3. SECURITY DESIGN

3.1 Encryption Model

- AES-256 encryption for emergency data
- RSA-2048 for key exchange
- Encrypted video stream handling
- Secure WebRTC transport

3.2 Privacy Controls

- User manages trusted contacts
- Auto-delete sensitive media (optional)
- Anonymous reporting mode
- Zero-knowledge storage for evidence

3.3 Fraud & Abuse Prevention

- IP/device fingerprinting

- AI-based false alert detection
- Rate-limiting & abuse monitoring
- Community moderator verification

4. MOBILE APP MODULES

4.1 Emergency Alert Module

Features:

- One-tap SOS
- Live video/audio stream
- Auto location tracking
- Panic timer with auto-activation
- Fake gesture SOS
- Offline SMS/USSD fallback

4.2 Community Safety Reporting

- Upload images/video
- Incident tagging
- Anonymous reporting
- Community moderators
- Evidence log

4.3 Safe Transport Monitoring

- Start-trip → End-trip tracking
- Unexpected stop alerts
- Driver ID verification
- Share trip with trusted contact

4.4 Women & Family Safety

- Hidden emergency trigger
- Safe walk map
- Domestic violence silent reporting

4.5 Smart Home IoT

- Door/Window sensors
- Motion detection
- Camera integrations (API)
- Smart alarm push alerts

5. BACKEND SERVICES & API

5.1 Authentication API

- JWT-based authentication
- OAuth for partners
- Device verification

5.2 Emergency Alert API

- POST /emergency/trigger
- POST /emergency/video-stream
- POST /emergency/location

5.3 Reporting API

- POST /report/incident
- GET /report/history

5.4 IoT API

- MQTT messaging
- Sensor event push

5.5 Notification API

- Push notifications
- SMS fallback

6. DATABASE DESIGN

Tables include:

- users
- trusted_contacts
- emergency_alerts
- emergency_media
- location_logs
- transport_trips
- community_reports
- iot_devices
- iot_events
- organizations
- moderators

7. ADMIN DASHBOARD (WEB)

Features:

- Manage reports
- View emergency alerts
- User & organization profiles
- Moderator management
- Heat-map view
- Analytics

8. DEVOPS & INFRASTRUCTURE

- CI/CD pipeline (GitHub Actions)

- Cloud: AWS / GCP
- Auto-scaling for real-time services
- Data backup & disaster recovery
- Monitoring (Grafana/Prometheus)

9. TESTING STRATEGY

9.1 Test Types

- Unit tests
- Integration tests
- Load & stress tests
- Security penetration testing
- IoT hardware testing

9.2 Test Groups

- Individuals
- Families
- Transport users
- Security partners
- Community groups

10. MAINTENANCE & UPDATES

- Monthly updates
- Quarterly feature rollouts
- Security patches
- AI enhancements
- IoT compatibility upgrades

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