

## SUSTAINABILITY POLICY

Aware of the importance of maintaining a sustainable tourism development, and assuming the principles specifically adopted in the Sectorial Technical Standard NTS-TS 003, the M.T.O- TERRITORIO LA VORAGINE LLANO Y SELVA TRAVEL AGENCY AND EVENTS, is committed to implement the following sustainability policy framed in the sustainable management system.

In that order, the AVO M.T.O, establishes its commitments aimed at preventing, eliminating or reducing the impact on the destinations that we offer in our portfolio of services. Likewise, to optimize their sustainability, improving their behavior with the environment and their efficiency in the use of resources.

Our tourism products, activities and services will be focused on the communities, achieving balanced economic models between what is offered and what they require, in order to improve their quality of life in a sustainable way.

We are committed to motivate and train our staff and surrounding communities, with training, awareness and sensitization actions, on the principles of sustainable tourism, to promote good environmental practices and respect for the surrounding culture, to participate in the updating of the standard and to keep informed about the progress and actions for responsible tourism.

## PREVENTION AGAINST SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND TRADE OF CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS LAW 679 OF 2001

The AGENCY is committed to lead, support or promote with the competent organizations and entities, campaigns focused on the prevention of trade and sexual exploitation with minors and report cases according to current legislation. In the same sense, our agency has adopted a training program for the prevention of sex trade with minors, in accordance with current legislation, aimed at employees, internal and external customers and other personnel linked on a temporary or temporary basis.

This requirement of NTS-TS 003 proposes to know, internalize and put into practice personal and professional ethics in the face of sexual and commercial exploitation of children and adolescents (CSEC). This problem constitutes a crime that, due to its scope and complexity, requires the convergence of multiple actors in its treatment, prevention and, especially, in the mechanisms for its eradication.

### IDENTIFICATION OF THE ASPECTS INVOLVED IN SCNNA

- ❖ Sexual exploitation of children and adolescents.
- ❖ Child and adolescent pornography.
- ❖ Trafficking of children and adolescents for sexual purposes.
- ❖ Involuntary marriages involving minors.
- ❖ Sex tourism with children or adolescents.
- ❖ Child labor exploitation involving children or adolescents.

### CODE OF CONDUCT

In accordance with the provisions of Law 679 of August 3, 2001, all persons must prevent, block, combat and denounce the exploitation, hosting, use, publication, dissemination of images, texts, documents, audiovisual files, improper use of global information networks, or the establishment of telematic links of any kind related to pornographic material or material alluding to sexual activities of minors. Failure to comply with the above could result in criminal and administrative liability.

### Child Sexual Exploitation Prevention Policy

The AGENCY is committed to the prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse of minors associated with tourism, therefore, we develop the following prevention activities:

- ✓  Tourists/clients are informed that in our facilities art. 16 of Law 679 of August 3, 2001, regarding the protection of minors from prostitution is applied.
- ✓  Request information from tourists and accompanying minors about their identity documents: passport if foreigners and citizenship card if nationals.
- ✓  In the case of minors, request an identity card or civil registry, to verify a relationship with a first-degree relative,
- ✓  In this case, the provider's employees, whether lodging establishments or accommodations, must avoid at all costs renting the room and let the client leave without ruling out the possibility of a case of sexual abuse of minors. Under no circumstances may employees and suppliers promote or offer tourist packages, sites, images, texts, advertising, video, or any other media in which sexual activities with minors are shown.
- ✓  Constantly train and sensitize employees, suppliers, clients, guides and external agencies in this regard.

### PREVENTION OF TRAFFICKING IN FLORA AND FAUNA LAW 397 OF 1997

Illegal trafficking of flora and fauna is considered the direct action that has the most negative impact on animal and plant species. The most common facts in which this activity is evidenced are:

- Live animals used as pets.
- Animals used as curios or hunting trophies.
- Fangs, bones, sexual organs, feathers, nails, hooves as aphrodisiac, medicinal or witchcraft objects.
- Extraction without legal authorization of flora and fauna for scientific or commercial use.
- Leather or skin to manufacture clothing.
- Meat and eggs for consumption

Currently, the scarcity of animals and vegetation is not due to a lack of food for the former, nor mainly to climate change, which affects the latter more severely. The human being is the main enemy of the existing flora and fauna, due to his violent and unconscious actions towards his environment.

Aware of this, the AGENCY is committed to the prevention of illegal trafficking of fauna and flora, through training campaigns and dissemination of the law, to make responsible with the protection of the environment.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE TOURIST - VISITOR**

1. Pay due attention to the security indications issued by the accompanying guide and strictly follow the recommendations.
2. Be attentive to the safety signs of the place (evacuation routes, meeting area, dangers, warnings and others).
3. To live the experiences with an awareness of sustainability, social responsibility and respect for nature and cultural expressions.
4. Carry a small backpack for hiking in the area (15) fifteen liters, with padded shoulder straps.
5. Wear clothes that are easy to dry, carry a hat or cap, head covering, and strong-soled footwear for hiking.
6. Sun block and insect repellent (only if the site is not a nature reserve).
7. Carry a reusable container (botilito) with drinking water.
8. If possible, a camera.

### **TOURIST COMMITMENTS**

MTO, works for environmental sustainability. Socio-cultural, economic, the visitor consciously supports and refrains from:

- o Littering during the tour
- o Cooking on the river bank or making bonfires.
- o Carrying disposable dishes, pet bottles, etc.
- o Carrying food (you can find it there)
- o Giving money to minors and sponsoring child labor
- o Consumption of liquor or psychotropic substances during the tours
- o Damaging and/or trafficking with fauna, flora and patrimony
- o Carrying weapons
- o Contaminating the river and water sources.
- o Playing loud music in the vehicles
- o Disrespecting the local people.

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1. Mr. visitor, please note that it is illegal exploitation, pornography, and sexual commercialization with children and adolescents, as it is criminalized by Law 1336 of 2009 by which Law 679 of 2001 is strengthened.

2. Do not trade or traffic illegally with cultural property and heritage, as it is penalized by Law 1185 of 2008.
3. Do not trade or traffic in wild fauna and flora species, as it is penalized by Law 397 of 2000.
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