

Security Information Package

For Cooperating Partners entering into a Field Level Agreement (FLA) with WFP

Purpose. This Package aims to clarify security accountability boundaries, expectations, and coordination arrangements between WFP and the signing Cooperating Partner. It complements the FLA, but does not amend or replace the FLA, its General Conditions, or applicable legal, policy or contractual provisions.

1. Core principles

WFP recognizes the importance of enabling Cooperating Partners to deliver assistance safely and securely, including in high-risk environments. WFP and Cooperating Partners remain separate organizations, each retaining responsibility and accountability for its own personnel, assets, internal procedures and security risk management arrangements.

WFP:

- WFP supports programme design, contracting processes and security information engagement so partners can get additional information on the relevant risks, access appropriate data and participate in established mechanisms where applicable.

Cooperating Partner:

- Cooperating Partners remain responsible and accountable for the safety, security and duty of care of their own personnel and assets, including insurance, internal procedures, movement decisions and the adequacy of their own security arrangements.

Information-sharing or coordination by WFP does not constitute approval, validation or guarantee of a partner's security systems, nor a transfer of responsibility, accountability, duty of care, operational control or legal liability.

2. Security coordination and communication

WFP encourages Cooperating Partners to engage actively in local security coordination arrangements where relevant and available. This may include appropriate briefings, information-sharing mechanisms, coordination meetings and other context-specific fora.

- Cooperating Partners are encouraged to designate a security focal point for engagement with WFP and relevant coordination actors.
- Cooperating Partners should maintain internal communication, contingency and incident management arrangements and ensure personnel receive appropriate security briefings, training and guidance.
- Where available and applicable, WFP may share relevant security information or coordination guidance for locations and activities covered under the partnership arrangement.
- Cooperating Partners should promptly inform WFP of security incidents or material changes that may affect safe implementation of WFP-supported activities.

3. Saving Lives Together and humanitarian security coordination

Security collaboration should be framed through existing humanitarian security coordination mechanisms, including the Saving Lives Together framework and relevant country-level arrangements. These mechanisms support security cooperation, information sharing, coordination, training, advocacy and shared risk awareness.

Saving Lives Together supports collaboration but does not transfer duty of care, liability or operational control from one organization to another. Each organization remains responsible and accountable for its own personnel and assets and internal security risk management systems.

4. Security-related budget considerations

Cooperating Partners remain responsible for identifying and assessing their own security-related requirements. Where costs are necessary for safe and secure implementation of WFP-supported activities, Cooperating Partners should identify, justify and discuss such requirements through the applicable proposal, budget and partnership management processes.

Security requirements are context-specific and may vary by operating environment, activity type, geographic location, access constraints, local security coordination arrangements, partner capacity and risk profile.

Any security-related budget considerations remain subject to the applicable FLA budget process, corporate rules, available resources and the respective roles and responsibilities of WFP and the Cooperating Partner.

5. Practical checklist

Cooperating Partners are encouraged to:	WFP will seek to:
• Assess risks relevant to personnel, activities and areas of operation; • Maintain internal security procedures and contingency arrangements; • Designate a security focal point; • Ensure personnel are briefed/trained as appropriate; • Participate in relevant coordination mechanisms; • Identify and justify relevant security-related requirements.	• Communicate security-related expectations during the partnership process; • Support access to relevant information and coordination mechanisms, where applicable; • Encourage partners to identify security-related requirements through appropriate processes; • Support collective security coordination and information-sharing efforts; • Preserve clear accountability boundaries between WFP and Cooperating Partners.

6. Use of this Package

This Package will be shared with Cooperating Partners as part of the FLA process as a practical reference document to support discussion of security-related responsibilities, coordination arrangements and, where relevant, resource implications. It should be read together with the applicable FLA, its General Conditions, WFP policies and procedures, and relevant country-level security coordination arrangements.