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**Article 12a:
Protection
of minors**

Protection of minors

1. If a service is primarily aimed at children or adolescents or is used predominantly by children and adolescents, the providers of intermediary services shall explain conditions and restrictions for the use of the service in a way children and adolescents can understand.

2. The design and online interface of services aimed at children or adolescents or mainly used by children or adolescents must take into account the special needs of children and adolescents.

3. Online platforms that provide access to content that may impair the physical, mental or moral development of minors shall take appropriate measures and provide tools that enable conditional access to the content. Those measures may include age verification tools, parental controls or other technical measures.

The legal language used in the terms & conditions of a service aimed at children or adolescents shall be explained in a terms they can understand.

Likewise, the design of a service aimed at children/adolescents shall take into account the needs of those users.

Finally, platforms that provide access to harmful content for minors shall take measures to enable conditional access. Those measures may include age-verification mechanisms or parental controls.