

Is cosmeticconnection.co.za legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 90/100

cosmeticconnection.co.za

Verdict

90

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

cosmeticconnection.co.za appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-03 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 70%.

What this site appears to be	Homepage for Cosmetic Connection, a South African retail chain and ecommerce store offering hair products, cosmetics, supplements, toiletries, household goods, and other consumer merchandise. The page presents specific products and prices, cart and checkout functions, promotional collections, 84 store locators, a physical address, telephone and messaging contacts, and shipping, refund, privacy, and terms links.
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Evidence status and limitations

Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN

- Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	None flagged it VirusTotal	CLEAR
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	175 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	18 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Archived since 2008 136 snapshots	CLEAR

The page as captured

No screenshot is retained for this report.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Domain age: more than 10 years (registration continuity).
- Public web-archive history exists since 2008.
- VirusTotal and Google Safe Browsing had no flags for this domain; its hosting IP carries AbuseIPDB reports below the confidence level TrustSniffer treats as a flag.

Full analysis

Overview

The website is the online storefront of Cosmetic Connection, a South African retail chain selling beauty, hair-care, wellness, toiletry, household, and related consumer products through conventional product listings, promotions, cart, checkout, delivery, and physical-store services.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No identity contradictions, phishing indicators, brand impersonation, or confirmed malicious reputation signals were observed. The long-established domain and substantial archival record align with the mature retail operation presented on the homepage, while interactive testing found no cloaking, hidden forms, suspicious scripts, external form submissions, or clipboard interference. This convergence supports the conclusion that the website is legitimate rather than a deceptive imitation.

- The domain registration record shows registration on 4 June 2008, making it approximately 18.18 years old, with Axxess DSL as registrar and expiry on 4 June 2027.
- The web archive contains 136 snapshots from 14 October 2008 through 8 June 2026, spanning 19 tracked years, with no detected suspicious repurposing.
- The homepage displayed a coherent retail catalogue with named products, South African-rand pricing, promotional collections, and functioning shopping controls.
- Two successful behavioral runs detected no cloaking, hidden forms, suspicious inline scripts, external requests or posts, wallet activity, or clipboard manipulation.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The site presents a conventional physical-goods retail model rather than a regulated financial or investment service. It makes no licensing claim, and the supplied evidence does not establish that a sector-specific financial authorization is applicable. Published links to shipping, refund, privacy, and terms materials provide an appropriate consumer-policy framework, while the absence of a match in the supplied broker-intelligence dataset has no bearing on the retailer's legal status. Transport encryption is valid and suitable for normal website interaction.

- The homepage links to shipping, refund, privacy, and terms pages as part of its customer-service framework.

- The homepage offers hair products, cosmetics, supplements, toiletries, and household merchandise rather than brokerage, investment, or cryptocurrency services.
- The site's TLS certificate was issued by YE1 with domain validation (DV) and is valid until 29 October 2026.
- The homepage contained four ordinary commerce forms—for product search, newsletter subscription, coupon entry, and shipping estimation—with no sensitive or untrusted form destination identified.

What to Verify Next

For unusually large or business-critical orders, procurement teams can independently confirm the selected branch and fulfilment arrangements, retain the applicable checkout and policy records, and ensure that product-specific delivery and return conditions meet internal purchasing requirements. These are routine transaction controls rather than responses to an identified security concern.

- The homepage presents 84 store locations, enabling independent confirmation of a relevant physical branch.
- A physical address, telephone contact, and messaging channels are published for operational enquiries.
- Product pages expose item-specific prices and cart controls, allowing order details to be documented before payment.
- Separate shipping and refund resources are available for checking fulfilment and return conditions.

Summary Verdict

Cosmetic Connection presents as a legitimate, established, and trustworthy ecommerce operation. Its identity, commercial content, historical continuity, technical behavior, and external reputation converge without contradictory risk indicators. Normal interaction, including account login, checkout, and standard transactions, is appropriate.

Infrastructure Integrity

The website is served from AS13335 (Cloudflare, Inc.) through Cloudflare CDN/WAF infrastructure. The observed address, 23.227.38.65 in Canada, was an edge endpoint; the protective layer reduces direct exposure of the underlying server but is a security mitigation rather than independent proof of legitimacy.

- The site's hosting infrastructure resolved to 23.227.38.65 on AS13335 (Cloudflare, Inc., US), identified as a CDN edge service.
- One edge address was observed, with all observed traffic served through the Cloudflare protective layer.

Closing Assessment

Prospective customers may use the website normally, applying standard ecommerce controls appropriate to the value and importance of the intended purchase.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-03 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

Identity verification

Status	UNVERIFIED
Identity score	30/100

Identity verification confidence	50%
No on-site identity signals detected	
Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.	
What TrustSniffer observed	
First-party facts recorded during the assessment of cosmeticconnection.co.za.	
- The request stayed on cosmeticconnection.co.za. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR - Registration is published under Axxess DSL. CLEAR - DNS for this domain is served by co.za, across 4 name servers. NOTED - The registration is paid up to 2027-06-04. NOTED - The earliest public archive of this site is from 2008-10-14. CLEAR - It is hosted on CLOUDFLARENET, from a server in CA. NOTED	
Domain intelligence	
Registrar	Axxess DSL
Hosting	CLOUDFLARENET - Cloudflare, Inc., US
Country	CA
Server IP	23.227.38.65
Name servers	ns1.clusterdns.co.za, ns2.clusterdns.co.za, ns3.hostdns.co.za, ns4.clusterdns.org
SSL issuer	YE1
SSL expiry	2026-10-29
Domain age	18.2 years
Domain expiry	2027-06-04
Archive first seen	2008-10-14
Archive snapshots	136
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 175 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about cosmeticconnection.co.za at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that

evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

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