

Is koreatimes.co.kr legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 100/100

koreatimes.co.kr

Verdict

100

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

koreatimes.co.kr appears legitimate.

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

Not Scam

Safe for Login

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-13 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 55%.

What this site appears to be

Article index and news content from The Korea Times covering national news, business, politics, economy, technology and culture, including an item about Korea's evolving cryptocurrency regulation.

Evidence status and limitations

Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN

- The real-world operator identity was not independently verified.
- 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	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	29 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Never archived No public history of this site	WATCH
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by Sectigo RSA Domain Validation Secure Server CA	NOTED

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).
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.
- The operator behind the site could not be independently connected to a real-world brand or person.

Full analysis

Overview

The Korea Times is an established online news publisher presenting visitors with reporting and editorial content across South Korean and international affairs, business, economics, technology, culture, lifestyle, sports, and related topics. Its apparent business model is advertising-, subscription-, and sponsored-content-supported journalism, with account login and subscription functionality presented as part of the service.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No contradictions were observed. The reviewed content identifies a coherent news-media purpose, contains substantial editorial material, and shows no detected phishing, brand-impersonation, hidden-form, wallet-drainer, or other high-risk abuse pattern. Site behavior included externally connected advertising and analytics activity, but that activity is consistent with an ad-supported publication and did not produce a contradictory risk signal. Available evidence is therefore consistent with an established, apparently legitimate website, while the real-world operator identity remains independently unverified.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage/article index presents The Korea Times and sections covering South Korea, politics, business, economy, technology, culture, lifestyle, sports, and world news.
- The page analysis recorded zero red flags, no suspected brand impersonation, no hidden forms, and no sensitive form destination.
- Domain registration telemetry records 1997-03-21 creation and an age of 29.42 years.
- External reputation checks recorded 0 malicious and 0 suspicious detections, with no phishing-service or blacklist hit recorded.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The site presents itself as a journalistic publisher rather than a financial or otherwise regulated service. No license claim or license number is recorded in the reviewed site content; this is a transparency point for ordinary corporate and subscription due diligence, not evidence of a scam. The available evidence supports an established-site interpretation through the substantial editorial presentation, clean external reputation, and mature registration record, but it does not independently verify the legal entity operating the publication. The broker-context check returned no match and should be treated only as supplementary reputational context.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage describes an online news operation with editorial categories and a subscription function; the recorded business model is advertising, subscriptions, and sponsored content.
- Registration telemetry identifies Inames Co., Ltd. as registrar, with an expiration date of 2031-10-15 and registrant field "KoreaTimes."
- Hosting telemetry records AS16509 operated by AMAZON-02 - Amazon.com, Inc., US.
- The site's transport encryption uses a DV certificate issued by Sectigo RSA Domain Validation Secure Server CA, valid to 2026-11-18.

What to Verify Next

Before credential or payment activity, an organization should independently confirm the publisher's legal entity and the official subscription terms through a trusted corporate or offline contact route. Subscription pricing, renewal, cancellation, refund, and payment-protection terms should be reviewed before purchase, and any account-recovery or payment message should be checked against independently established official contact channels.

EVIDENCE

- The reviewed content includes a "Subscribe" function and a "Log In" function, creating a clear need to confirm account and payment terms before use.
- The page analysis found one form but no sensitive form and no untrusted submission destination.
- The site's stated business model is subscription- and advertising-supported journalism rather than a financial-product offering.

Summary Verdict

Available evidence is consistent with a high-trust, low-risk, established news website. No scam, phishing, impersonation, or other identity contradiction was observed, although the real-world operator identity is not independently verified. The site's content maturity, long operating history, and clean reputation support its apparent legitimacy.

Infrastructure Integrity

The website is protected by AWS CDN/WAF infrastructure, and the observed addresses were AWS edge servers rather than identifiable origin candidates. This reduces direct origin exposure and is a positive defensive control, but it remains a mitigating infrastructure signal rather than proof of operator legitimacy.

EVIDENCE

- Infrastructure telemetry records AWS protection with two observed edge IPs: 3.35.150.49 and 43.202.248.104.
- Both observed edge addresses are associated with AS16509.
- The infrastructure record identifies no likely origin-server candidates.

Closing Assessment

Normal browsing is proportionate to the assessed posture; credential or payment interactions should proceed after the ordinary independent checks of publisher identity, subscription terms, and payment protections described above.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-13 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 koreatimes.co.kr.

- The request stayed on koreatimes.co.kr. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under Inames Co., Ltd.(http://www.inames.co.kr). CLEAR
- DNS for this domain is served by azure-dns.com, across 4 name servers. NOTED
- The registration is paid up to 2031-10-15. CLEAR
- It is hosted on AMAZON-02, from a server in US. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Inames Co., Ltd.(http://www.inames.co.kr)
Hosting	AMAZON-02 - Amazon.com, Inc., US
Country	US
Server IP	2600:9000:2375:a400:13:e99:23c0:93a1
Name servers	ns1-02.azure-dns.com, ns2-02.azure-dns.net, ns3-02.azure-dns.org, ns4-02.azure-dns.info
SSL issuer	Sectigo RSA Domain Validation Secure Server CA
SSL expiry	2026-11-18
Domain age	29.42 years (continuous registration)
Domain expiry	2031-10-15
Archive first seen	Not available

Archive snapshots	0
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about koreatimes.co.kr 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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