

Is tvlicensing.co.uk legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 100/100

tvlicensing.co.uk

Verdict

100

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

tvlicensing.co.uk 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 75%.

What this site appears to be

Homepage for TV Licensing, providing access to licence purchase and renewal, account sign-in, personal and bank-detail updates, eligibility guidance, refunds, payment assistance, contact information, and privacy controls.

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	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	29 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Archived since 1998 1976 snapshots	CLEAR
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by GlobalSign RSA OV SSL CA 2018	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).
- Public web-archive history exists since 1998.
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.

Full analysis

Overview

The website is an established UK public-service portal for television licensing, enabling visitors to determine whether a licence is required, purchase or renew one, sign in to an account, manage personal and payment details, and obtain guidance on refunds, eligibility, and payment assistance.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No phishing, brand impersonation, conflicting legal identity, or other identity contradiction was observed. The domain's long registration history, extensive archival continuity, clean external threat reputation, and benign interaction testing converge strongly with the portal's stated public-service function. There is no evidence that the domain has been repurposed for an unrelated activity.

- The domain registration record shows registration on 17 June 1997, making it approximately 29.15 years old; the registrar is Nom-IQ Limited trading as Com Laude.
- The web archive contains 1,976 snapshots from 23 May 1998 to 1 July 2026, spanning 29 tracked years without evidence of suspicious repurposing.
- External reputation checks recorded zero malicious and zero suspicious detections, no unsafe-browsing finding, no reported infrastructure abuse, and no signature matches.
- Homepage interaction testing completed successfully without external data posts, hidden forms, wallet activity, clipboard manipulation, suspicious inline scripts, or cloaking.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The portal presents itself as the administrator of the UK television-licensing system, not as an investment, brokerage, or speculative financial service. The available homepage provides access to an About section, an annual review, privacy information, contact facilities, accessibility resources, and licence-related guidance. The supplied page evidence does not establish a separate statutory registration number or an express licensing-authority statement; this is a limited disclosure-verification point rather than an indication of impersonation or fraud. The organization-validated certificate materially strengthens the identity linkage by naming the British Broadcasting Corporation.

- The homepage identifies the service as "TV Licensing" and links to About, Contact, Privacy Policy, Media Centre, accessibility, and Annual Review 2025–26 resources.
- The site's transport encryption uses an organization-validated certificate issued by GlobalSign RSA OV SSL CA 2018 to BRITISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION, valid until 27 October 2026.
- The homepage describes licence-fee administration, including payment, renewal, eligibility assessment, account maintenance, refunds, and support for customers struggling to pay.

- No matching broker profile or adverse broker-reputation signal was identified in the supplied third-party context.

What to Verify Next

For assurance proportionate to payment or account-management activity, the active browser domain should be checked before completing a transaction, particularly when access originates from an email or message. Current licence requirements, fee terms, refund eligibility, and payment-assistance arrangements should be confirmed through the portal's published guidance; institutional due diligence may additionally reconcile the About and annual-review materials with the purchasing entity's records.

- The homepage provides separate routes for buying or renewing a licence, signing in, and updating name, address, or bank details.
- The homepage publishes dedicated guidance for cancellations and refunds, moving house, students, businesses, tenants, second homes, and people aged 74 or over.
- Privacy controls distinguish essential cookies from optional measurement and communications-related tracking.
- Multilingual and accessibility resources are visibly offered on the homepage.

Summary Verdict

The website is legitimate, established, and trustworthy, with mutually reinforcing identity, provenance, reputation, content, and behavioral evidence. No contradictory risk signals were found, and normal interaction—including account login, account management, and standard transactions—is appropriate.

Infrastructure Integrity

The site is protected by Incapsula CDN/WAF infrastructure, with all observed addresses operating as edge servers and no direct origin-server exposure observed. This architecture reduces direct attack-surface exposure and is a meaningful security mitigation, although infrastructure protection alone is not treated as proof of legitimacy.

- The site is served from AS19551 by INCAPSULA – Incapsula Inc, US.
- Two CDN edge addresses were observed—185.11.125.158 and 199.83.130.243—both on AS19551.
- The hosting assessment identified a trusted CDN/WAF deployment and no candidate origin address.

Closing Assessment

Prospective users may engage with the portal normally, including signing in and completing standard licence-related transactions, while applying routine domain and transaction checks customary for any payment-enabled public service.

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
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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 tvlicensing.co.uk.

- The request stayed on tvlicensing.co.uk. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under Nom-IQ Limited t/a Com Laude [Tag = NOMIQ]. CLEAR
- DNS for this domain is served by bbcdns.net, across 4 name servers. NOTED
- The registration is paid up to 2027-06-17. NOTED
- The earliest public archive of this site is from 1998-05-23. CLEAR
- It is hosted on INCAPSULA, from a server in US. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Nom-IQ Limited t/a Com Laude [Tag = NOMIQ]
Hosting	INCAPSULA - Incapsula Inc, US
Country	US
Server IP	199.83.130.243
Name servers	ns0.bbcdns.net, ns0.bbcdns.net.uk, ns1.bbcdns.net, ns1.bbcdns.net.uk
SSL issuer	GlobalSign RSA OV SSL CA 2018
SSL expiry	2026-10-27
Domain age	29.1 years
Domain expiry	2027-06-17
Archive first seen	1998-05-23
Archive snapshots	1976
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 tvlicensing.co.uk 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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