DEFINITION:
A website that enables users to create public profiles and form relationships with other users within the same website.¹

Federal Law:

- **Children’s Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA)**⁵
  - Gives parents control over what information is collected online from their children under the age of 13 and how the information may be used.
  - Provides parents access to their child’s personal information and an opportunity to delete the child’s personal information and opt-out of future collection or use of the information.

**Penalty:** Applies to operators of commercial websites and online services (including mobile apps), and operators of general audience websites or online services. A court can hold operators who violate the Rule liable for civil penalties of up to $16,000 per violation.

References:
4. Ibid.
Protecting Your Child on Social Media

- Talk to your child about how to use social network sites and apps safely.
- Check out what your child is posting. Delete personal information and content you think is too much information.
- Know how your child is accessing social media and apps. Review social media and apps settings to help them keep information private.
- Know who your child is talking to online.
- Know the account settings for sites and apps your child uses.
- Know who has access to your child’s information, i.e. “followers,” friend’s list, ads, etc.
- Let your child know to talk to you if something online makes them feel uncomfortable.
- Make a report at www.cybertipline.com, if anyone talks to your child about sex, shares or requests sexual images, or if your child is a victim of sexual exploitation.

For more information, go to: [ag.hawaii.gov/cpja/ccp/internetsafety/](ag.hawaii.gov/cpja/ccp/internetsafety/)

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