



RADIO / TV / BROADCASTING / DIGITAL MEDIA / PUBLIC AND MECHANICAL ROYALTY TARIFF (2019-2020)

Scope of Tariff

This Tariff applies to the Broadcast/Communication to the Public / the Performance of music on the Internet by way of Non-Interactive streaming or a web radio, as a pure webcasting service i.e. continuous programmed webcasts, wherein user cannot interact at all e.g. pause, fast-forward, skip work (song) or influence play out by rating works (songs) etc. and excludes Broadcast /Streaming services provided by Mobile/Cellular network operator.

General Conditions

This Tariff is subject to the Society's General Conditions applicable to Tariffs and Licenses. License & Royalty Rates The following Royalty Rates shall apply to Broadcast/Communication to the Public/ the Performance of Music on Internet by way of Non-Interactive Streaming or a Web Radio through a website: Where there is a 'charge' being levied or 'no charge' being levied on the user for the access to such Service the Royalty fee shall be 1% of Gross Revenue subject to a minimum charge of LKR 100.00/ LKR 200.00 per spin/stream, with an annual non-refundable advance License fee Any Additional Channel will be charged at the rate of LKR 100'000.00 per such channel. Additionally, an EPHEMERAL charge (the Licensee shall pay to the Licensor where a Licensed musical work use in realty show or to emphasize a specific hour/air time by carrying a special trade name on the Licensee's Channel) of LKR 250.00 to 500.00 per spin/work (Song) will be charged as agreed.

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1. COMMERCIAL SPACES

Scope of Tariff

Applicable:

- supermarkets, shopping malls, arcades, plazas, banks, financial institution, office buildings, commercial complexes, cinema halls, showrooms
- Covers background music, public address systems, and in-store entertainment.

Music usage covers

- The background music played for staff or customers
- Radio, Television, cd / dvd, digital streaming services

General Conditions

- music played in ambience within licensed premises (wall to wall)
- License duration: 1 year, renewable
- Licensee must display license certificate from ACPOSL
- License are non transferable
- payable in advance

Enforcements

- Regular audits by ACPOSL
- Penalties for playing unlicensed music
- License revocation upon breach

Applicability

- Tariff Effective Date from 1st April 2026 onward.
- Penalties for Infringement
Unlicensed or unauthorized use may attract a minimum 50% surcharge, subject to:
 - Duration of unlicensed activity
 - Commercial benefit derived
 - Severity of the infringement
- Inflation Clause
ACPOSL reserves the right to apply annual or cumulative fee adjustments in line with the Sri Lankan Consumer Price Index (CPI).
- Taxes
All fees are exclusive of VAT/NBT or other applicable levies per government regulations.(to be discussed)

License Fees

Licensing per Annum

bank & Financial Insti, office Buildings, comercial complex, showrooms, cinema halls,	LKR
up to 10,000 sq.ft	Rs: 50,000
over 10,000 sq.ft	Rs: 100,000

Excluded use

- DJ performance, Live atcs or third party events.
- Special days: new year, vesak , christmas

Licensing per Annum

supermarkets, shopping Malls, arcades & plazas,	City LKR:	Rural LKR:	retail stores,department stores,comercial showrooms,shopping outlets.	City LKR:	Rural LKR:
les thann 1000 sq.ft	15,000	8,000	up to 2000sq.ft	5000	2500
1,001 - 5,000sq.ft	75,000	40,000	2001 - 5000sq.ft	8,000	4000
			5001 - 10,000sq.ft	12,500	6,500
above 5,000sq.ft	100,000	80,000	above - 25,000sq.ft	40,000	20,000

* City includes: Colombo, Kandy, Jafna, Negambo, Kurunegala, Baticaloa, Trincomalee, Matara, Anuradhapura

2. HOSPITALITY & NIGHT LIFE

Scope of Tariff

Tariff applies to the public performance of music in all hospitality and loggeing establishments in Sri Lanka

- hotels, guest houses, lodges, holiday villas, motels, home stay
- resorts, dormitories and other accommodation facilities

Music usage covers

- The background music played for staff or customers
- Radio, Television, cd / dvd, digital streaming servises
- lobbies, lounges, guest rooms, elavators, gyms, salons, resturents, pool side areas
- live music: live performance by in house staff or casual guest participation

General Conditions

- Property clasification: Based on Sri Lanka Tourism Authority or Published rates/web presence. ACPOSL reserve to right to verify or re-classify.
- License duration: 1 year, renewable
- Licensee must display license certificate from ACPOSL
- License are non transferable
- payable in advance.

Enforcements

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Excluded use

- DJ performance, Ticketed or advertised events, Thirdparty or external entertainer.
- Special days: new year, vesak , christmas

Compliance

Background music licensing is mandotory for all hospitality venues. Separate event licenses are compulsory for special occations.

License Fees

Licencing per/day

Property category	Royalty Rate LKR
5 star / Delux Hotels	Rs: 30
4 star / Hotels / Clubs / Resorts	Rs: 15
3 star Hotel	Rs: 10
2 star Hotel	Rs: 05
Other Establishments	Rs: 02

3. BARS, PUBS, CASINO & LOUNGES

Scope of Tariff

Tariff applies to the public performance of music at the following licensed entertainment venues in Sri Lanka.

- bars, pubs and clubs (all catogories)
- discos, cocktail lounges

Music usage covers

- The background music played for staff or customers
- Mechanical / Electronic Playback Radio, Television, cd / dvd, digital streaming servises
- Live performance by vocalist, Instrumentalist or vocals
- DJ performance

General Conditions

- All music use is subject to ACPOSL General Licensing Conditions.
- This tariff covers background, live and DJ music performed within the premises
- License duration: 1 year, renewable
- Licensee must display license certificate from ACPOSL
- License are non transferable
- payable in advance.

Special Conditions

- This tariff covers in - house entertainment only and does not include special events or celebrations.
- Thir party Entertainment: Events organized by promoters or external entities, must be licensed separately.

Enforcements

- Regular audits by ACPOSL
- Panalties for playing unlicensed music
- License revocation upon breach

Applicability

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- Penalties for Infringement
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 - Duration of unlicensed activity
 - Commercial benefit derived

- Severity of the infringement
- Inflation Clause
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- Taxes
All fees are exclusive of VAT/NBT or other applicable levies per government regulations.(to be discussed)

Excluded use

- Special days: new year, vesak , christmas

Compliance

Background music licensing is mandatory for all hospitality venues. Separate event licenses are compulsory for special occasions.

License Fees

Licensing Per Annum

Premises size	City	Rural
up to 1000 sq.ft	40,000	15,000
1001 - 5000 sq.ft	55,000	20,000
Above 5000 sq.ft	65,000	40,000

4. RESTAURANTS, CAFES & DINING ESTABLISHMENTS

Scope of Tariff

Tariff applies to the public performance of music in food and beverage services across Sri Lanka.

- restaurants
- coffe shops & cafes
- fast food outlets

Music usage covers

- The background music played for staff or customers
- Mechanical / Electronic Playback Radio, Television, cd / dvd, digital streaming servises

General Conditions

- All music use is subject to ACPOSL General Licensing Conditions.
- License duration: 1 year, renewable
- Licensee must display license certificate from ACPOSL
- License are non transferable
- payable in advance.

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Excluded use

- Special days: new year, vesak , christmas

Compliance

Background music licensing is mandatory for all hospitality venues. Separate event licenses are compulsory for special occasions.

License Fees

Licensing per Annum

City	Rural
50,000	15,000

5. COMMERCIAL BANQUET & SMALL AUDITORIUM

Scope of Tariff

This tariff applies to public or private performance of music at small to medium-sized personal functions held in:

- Standalone Commercial Banquet Halls
- Small Auditoriums (Capacity: Up to 500 seats)

Covered event types:

- Birthday Parties
- Kiddies' Celebrations

- Domestic Family Gatherings
- Private Receptions or Social Functions

Music usage covers

- Mechanical/Electronic Playback: CD/USB players, digital streaming services, Bluetooth speakers, PA systems
- DJ Sets

General Conditions

- Events may be **public or private** in nature (for guests, invitees, staff).
- All music use is subject to ACPOSL General Licensing Conditions.
- License : per event
- Licensee must display license certificate from ACPOSL
- License are non transferable
- payable in advance.

Special Conditions

- Covered Usage:
 - Music used at private functions (weddings, birthdays, etc.)
 - Playback via DJs, bands, or sound systems
- Not Covered (Exclusions from ACPHT Tariff):
 - Events hosted at:
 - 4-star and above hotels
 - Cruise ships or airlines
 - Auditoriums with seating above 1000
 - Events involving:
 - Corporate promotions
 - Brand/product launches
 - Sponsored or co-branded events
 - Playback singers or celebrity acts
 - Ticketed entry with price over Rs. 1,500
 - Any recording for broadcast or television
- Format Definitions:
 - Background Music: Passive playback via electronic systems
 - Live Music: Performed by musicians or singers in person
 - Mechanical Music: Playback using electronic/digital devices
- Usage Restrictions:
 - This tariff applies to a single, non-commercial event.
 - Repeat or multi-day events must be licensed separately.

Enforcements

- Regular audits by ACPOSL
- Penalties for playing unlicensed music
- License revocation upon breach

Applicability

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 - Duration of unlicensed activity
 - Commercial benefit derived
 - Severity of the infringement

- Inflation Clause
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Excluded use

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License Fees

Per event

Fee type	Amount Rs:
flat fee per event - up to 500 seats	60,000
flat fee per event - over 500 seats	100,000

6. EVENTS, VENUES, LIVE & DJ SETS

Scope of Tarif

This tariff applies to the public performance of music at ticketed and non-ticketed events across Sri Lanka involving:

- Live Performances
- DJ Sets (recorded or programmed music)
- Hybrid Sets (Live + DJ)

Music usage Covers

- Hotels, resorts, clubs
- Outdoor grounds, company premises, malls
- Banquet halls, auditoriums
- Temporary stages or event spaces

General Conditions

- All music use is subject to ACPOSL General Licensing Conditions.
- Licensee must display license certificate from ACPOSL
- License are non transferable
- payable in advance.

Fee Structure:

A.Events at Hotels, Resorts, & Clubs (Non-Ticketed, Indoor, Soundproof)

License Fees

Per event

Venue Category	LP/DJ Fee	Live performance / per song
5 star/ delux / resort / clubs	50,000	per song. tariff to be applied
4 star hotels	20,000	per song. tariff to be applied

B. Other Venues – Non-Ticketed, Non-Sponsored Events

venue type	license fees Rs:
indoor, outdoor, lawns, company ground	40,000
Live performance	Per song . tariff to be applied

C. Sponsored (Non-Ticketed) Events

category	license fee Rs:
coporate brand sponsored event	50,000
Live performance	Per song. tariff to be applied

E. Ticketed Events (With Admission Charges)

Objective

To establish a transparent and standardized method for calculating license fees for both indoor and outdoor shows under ACPOSL. The framework ensures fairness, scalability, and ease of justification for charges.

Core Principle

Base Fee = Maximum Possible Fee (set separately for indoor and outdoor shows).

License fees are derived by applying weightages (percentages $\leq 100\%$).

Each weightage reflects real-world factors (district, location, seating, charity, etc.).

Only when all weightages = 100% does the organizer pay the full Base Fee.

Formula

License Fee = Base Fee \times (District % \times Location % \times Seating % \times Charity % \times ...)

Indoor Shows

Base Fee

Indoor Base Fee = LKR 100,000 (maximum ceiling, subject to ACPOSL tariff).

Weightage Tables (Indoor)

A. District (Indoor)

District Type	% Applied
Colombo, Gampaha, Kandy	100%
Tier-2 Cities (Jaffna, Galle, Kurunegala, etc.)	90%
Smaller Towns & Rural	70%

B. Venue Type (Indoor)

Venue Type	% Applied
Premium Auditoriums / Theatres	100%
Standard Halls	85%
Community Halls / Schools	70%

C. Seating Capacity (Indoor)

Audience Capacity	% Applied
3,000+	100%
1,001 – 2,999	85%
501 – 1,000	70%
Up to 500	50%

D. Charity (Indoor)

Event Type	% Applied
Commercial Shows	100%
Mixed / Partial Charity	75%
Fully Charity Registered Events	50%

Outdoor Shows

Base Fee

Outdoor Base Fee = LKR 150,000 (maximum ceiling, subject to ACPOSL tariff).

Weightage Tables (Outdoor)

A. District (Outdoor)

District Type	% Applied
Colombo, Gampaha, Kandy	100%
Tier-2 Cities (Jaffna, Galle, Kurunegala, etc.)	85%
Smaller Towns & Rural	65%

B. Venue Type (Outdoor)

Venue Type	% Applied
Premium Stadiums / Arenas	100%
Standard Grounds / Open Parks	85%
Community Grounds / School Fields	70%

C. Capacity (Outdoor)

Audience Capacity	% Applied
10,000+	100%
5,001 – 9,999	85%
1,001 – 5,000	70%
Up to 1,000	50%

D. Charity (Outdoor)

Event Type	% Applied
Commercial Shows	100%
Mixed / Partial Charity	75%
Fully Charity Registered Events	50%

Specific Condition

- Live Music: Performed by vocalists/instrumentalists on-site
- DJ Music: Music played by DJs using recorded sources
- Ticketed Event: Requires audience to pay entry fee
- Sponsored Event: Receives funding or branding support
- Soundproof Venue: No music leak outside the designated premises
- Venue Categories: Based on Sri Lanka Tourism Authority classification or official property websites

Important Notices:

- If ticket revenue or sponsorship details are not disclosed:
 - License fee will be doubled
- If no revenue report is submitted:
 - ACPOSL will estimate based on:
 - Venue capacity × average ticket price
 - estimated sponsorship value
- Two complimentary passes must be provided to ACPOSL for licensing verification.

Applicability

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 - Commercial benefit derived
 - Severity of the infringement
- Inflation Clause
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- Taxes
All fees are exclusive of VAT/NBT or other applicable levies per government regulations. (to be discussed)

7. SERVICE ORIENTED PREMISES

Scope of Tarif

This tariff applies to public performance of music at commercial service-based premises, including:

covered venues:

- Health Clubs / Gyms / Yoga Studios
- Hospitals / Private Clinics / Dental Practices
- Petrol Stations / Auto Service Centers
- Jukeboxes / Waiting Area Ambient Music

Music usage covers

- Mechanical/Electronic Playback: CD/USB players, digital streaming services, Bluetooth speakers, PA systems
- Live Music or DJ Sets

General Condition

- This tariff is governed by the ACPOSL General Licensing Conditions.
- Covers both background and minor live performances.
- Special events or third-party hosted DJ/live acts require a separate license.
- All music use is subject to ACPOSL General Licensing Conditions.
- License duration: 1 year, renewable
- Licensee must display license certificate from ACPOSL
- License are non transferable
- payable in advance

License Fees

Licensing per Annum

Premises size	Annual License fee Rs:
up to 500 sq.ft	10,000
501-1,000 sq.ft	25,000
above 1,000 sq.ft	35 per sq.ft

Area is calculated wall-to-wall (built-up measurement).

Excluded from this Tarif (require separate event licenses):

- Sponsored brand events
- Ticketed or paid-entry functions
- Public holiday parties (e.g. Avurudu, Christmas, Valentine's)
- Third-party DJ/live performances
- Large-scale activations

Definitions:

- Background Music: Music passively played from radio/TV/USB
- Live Music: Performed in person by staff or guests

- Mechanical Music: Played via electronic or digital means
- DJ Events: Require LP/DJ Event License

Applicability

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 - Duration of unlicensed activity
 - Commercial benefit derived
 - Severity of the infringement
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- Taxes
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8. TRAVELLING PASSENGER WAITING AREA

Scope of tariff

Applies to public performance of music at passenger transit points, including:

- Airports (Domestic & International Terminals)
- Railway Stations
- Bus Stations / Terminals
- Expressway Service Areas
- Transit Lounges / Waiting Halls

Music usage Covers

- Radio, Television
- CD/USB Devices, Tablets
- Wi-Fi Streaming / Digital Platforms
- PA Systems / Screens / Kiosks
- Limited Live or DJ Performances (subject to exclusions)

General Condition

- All music use is subject to ACPOSL General Licensing Conditions.
- Applies to mechanical, recorded, live, and DJ music
- Advance payment of all license fees is mandatory
- Special calendar dates require separate event licensing
- License duration: 1 year, renewable
- Licensee must display license certificate from ACPOSL
- License are non transferable
- payable in advance

License Fee / Rate:

venue type	location	license fee LKR	Term
Airport	Colombo, Hambanthota	500,000	Annual
Rail way stations	All	10,000	Annual
Bus Terminals	Intercity / Provincial	10,000	Annual

Specific Condition

Permitted Uses:

- Background or ambient music in lounges, ticketing halls, corridors
- Music to support announcements or comfort messaging
- Playback via PA speakers

Excluded from this Tariff:

- Music during special days (New Year, Vesak, Independence Day)
- Requires separate LP/DJ Event License
- Brand-led promotions, third-party ads or activations
- Any form of ticketed mini-shows or public concerts on premises

Definitions:

- Background Music: Played passively for ambience
- Mechanical Music: Playback from devices (USB, PA, screens)
- Live Music: Performed in-person by musicians or guests
- DJ Events: Requires separate SLPRO LP/DJ Event License

Applicability

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- Penalties for Infringement
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 - Duration of unlicensed activity
 - Commercial benefit derived
 - Severity of the infringement
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- Taxes
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9. TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Scop of Tariff

This tariff governs the public performance of music on commercially operated transport services within or departing from Sri Lanka, including:

- Aircraft (National & Private carriers within Sri Lankan airspace)
- Sea Casinos / Luxury Cruise Liners
- Intercity Trains / Express / Metro Rail
- Passenger Buses / Coaches / Tourist Vans
- Chartered Transport Modes with onboard audio systems

Music usage Covers

- Radios, TVs, CD/USB players
- Infotainment systems, Wi-Fi streaming
- Tablet screens or limited Live/DJ performances (subject to exclusions)

General Condition

- All music use is subject to ACPOSL General Licensing Conditions
- Applies to mechanical, recorded, and live/DJ music
- Music during special days (e.g., Avurudu, Christmas, Independence Day) requires separate licensing
- Special calendar dates require separate event licensing
- License duration: 1 year, renewable
- Licensee must display license certificate from ACPOSL
- License are non transferable
- payable in advance

License Fee

Licensing per Annum

Transport Mode	Unit	license fee LKR	Term
Aircraft	Per Aircraft	500,000	Annual
Sea Casino Cruise Ship	Per Ship	1,000,000	Annual
Intercity Train	Per Train Route	50,000	Annual

Specific Condition

Permitted Uses:

- Music played onboard via speakers or personal screens
- Infotainment background audio, relaxing or travel ambiance music
- Cruise ship live performances (subject to primary use & route)

Exclusions:

- Festive or Religious Occasions (New Year, Vesak, Christmas)
- Require a separate LP/DJ or SCBA Event License

- Ticketed onboard events, sponsored shows, or third-party DJ hires

Definitions:

- Background Music: Ambience via pre-recorded playback
- Mechanical Music: From radios, infotainment, Wi-Fi, etc.
- Live Music: Performed by onboard entertainers or crew
- Third-party Events: Require dedicated license (e.g., DJ night on a cruise)

Applicability

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- Penalties for Infringement
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 - Severity of the infringement
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- Taxes
 All fees are exclusive of VAT/NBT or other applicable levies per government regulations.(to be discussed)

10. RADIO / TV BROADCAST

Scope of Tariff

This tariff applies to the broadcast, public performance, or communication to the public of music (musical and literary works) via any AM/FM radio station.

General Conditions

This tariff is subject to the General Conditions Applicable to Tariffs and Licenses issued by the Society.

Royalty / License Structure

The royalty/license fee payable by a radio broadcaster (Licensee) per radio channel, shall be calculated as follows:

A rate of 5% of Gross Revenue is applicable.

B. Royalty as a Blanket License Fee.

C. Minimum Annual Royalty/License Fee

The minimum annual royalty/license fee (exclusive of all applicable taxes) is determined by the rating category as follows:

CATAGORY	FM STATIONS SINHALA	LKR
A	Hiru, Derana, Sirasa, Neth, Sha, Shri, Siyatha	1,000,000.00
B	Lak , Slbc, V,	700,000.00
C	others	500,000.00

CATAGORY	FM STATIONS ENGLISH	LKR
A	Sun, Yes , Gold , TNL, Lite, Kiss, Fox	1,000,000.00
B		700,000.00
C		500,000.00

CATAGORY	FM STATIONS TAMIL	LKR
A	Sooriyan, Shakthi, Vernam, Vasantham, Yari, IBC Tamil Radio,	1,000,000.00
B		700,000.00
C		500,000.00

For a radio station in an A+ category city:

1. Minimum annual royalty/license fee = LKR 1,000,000.00
2. Gross revenue = LKR 30,000,000
3. 5% of gross revenue = LKR 1,500,000

This methodology applies similarly across other categories.

Specific Condition

- a. This tariff is exclusively applicable to radio broadcasting, and does not cover networked or re-broadcast transmission.
- b. The minimum annual fee is payable regardless of actual gross revenue.
- c. A+ category cities include: Premium Rated Stations
- d. Other categories are based on the latest applicable Ratings of Sri Lanka classification, subject to periodic revision.
- f. Each licensee must provide 240 seconds per day of free airtime for public service announcements related to the licensing of musical works.
- g. The minimum annual royalty/license fee must be paid in advance each year, regardless of whether Section 3(A) or 3(B) applies.
- h. This tariff does not apply to simulcast/rebroadcast via Internet, DTH, Cable TV, IPTV, or mobile networks (2G/3G/4G/5G). Such uses require separate licensing under distinct tariffs.

Applicability and Enforcement

- a. This tariff is effective from 01 Sept 2026 and applies to all royalties/license fees due on or after that date.
- b. Non-compliant broadcasters seeking to settle past unauthorized use or infringement may be subject to a higher rate, calculated as:
- the standard tariff, plus a minimum of 50% as an additional royalty, at the discretion of the Society.
 - The extent of this additional fee may vary based on the duration, severity, and willfulness of the infringement.
- c. This tariff may be adjusted periodically to reflect inflation, based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI), and may be revised annually or cumulatively.
- d. All royalties/license fees specified are exclusive of VAT and any applicable taxes or levies.

11. SATELLITE BROADCAST / CABLE TV

Scope of Tariff

This tariff applies to the use of musical and literary works that are incorporated in and as part of TV serials, shows, programs, and films (subject to exclusions listed below) broadcast via:

- Television/Satellite Channels
- Private Cable Tv operators
- Terrestrial Television

General Conditions

This tariff is governed by the General Conditions Applicable to Tariffs and Licenses as issued by the Society.

Royalty / Licensing fee Structure

A. Annual Royalty/License Fees Based on Type of operators

The following annual license fees are applicable per channel, based on ranking and genre:

CATAGORY	NAME	LKR
Satalite TV	PRO SAT	500,000.00
Cable TV	DAILOG TV	500,000.00
other		

The fees above are applicable per channel per year, covering Communication to the Public, on a 24/7 basis for 365 days.

B. Exclusions

The following uses are excluded from this tariff and will require separate licensing from the respective publishers:

- Theme music of a TV show
- Tv musical programs
- Talk shows
- Reality programs
- Award shows
- Commercials / Advertisements (including branded content)

C. Simulcast on OTT Platforms

If the channel is simulcast on an OTT platform operated by the broadcaster, an additional 10% of the annual license fee will be applicable for such use.

D. Territorial Limitation

This tariff is only applicable within the territory of Sri Lanka

Applicability and Enforcement

a. This tariff is effective from 01 Sept 2026 and applies to all royalties/license fees due on or after that date.

b. In cases of past infringement, unauthorized use, or breach of license terms, the Society may impose a higher royalty rate, defined as:

- The existing tariff plus a minimum of 50%, at the discretion of the Society.
- The actual additional fee may be assessed based on the nature, duration, and seriousness of the violation.

c. The royalty/license fee may be adjusted periodically to account for inflation based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI), either on an annual or cumulative basis.

d. All royalty/license fees are exclusive of applicable VAT, taxes, and statutory levies.

12. NON-INTERACTIVE STREAMING (INTERNET & MOBILE NETWORKS)

Scope of Tariff

This tariff applies to the communication to the public and/or performance of musical and literary works through their use in sound recordings, delivered via:

- Internet-based streaming platforms, and
- Mobile/cellular network services,

where such streaming is strictly non-interactive (i.e., users cannot select specific tracks on demand).

General Conditions

This tariff is subject to the Society's General Conditions Applicable to Tariffs and Licenses, along with the following specific operational limitations for licensees operating under Clause 3(A):

a. Playback Restrictions (Per User)

To qualify as non-interactive, licensees must ensure:

- No more than 4 songs by the same featured artist (or from a compilation album) may be played to the same listener within a 2-hour window; no more than 3 of those songs consecutively.
- No more than 3 songs from the same album may be played to the same listener within a 2-hour window; no more than 2 of those consecutively.
- A user may skip no more than 5 songs per session and no more than 100 skips per calendar month.

b. Permitted Channel Formats

Non-interactive streaming channels may be organized and categorized by:

- Language
- Mood
- Genre
- Era
- Theme
- Artist or Author
- Event

Such categorization must not override the playback restrictions mentioned above.

Royalty / Licensing fee Structure

A. For Non-Interactive Streaming Platforms (Internet / Mobile Network)

Description	Rate
Minimum Annual Royalty / License Fee (for a single channel)	Rs: 1,000,000
Royalty Rate	Higher of 15% of Gross Revenue or Rs:10 per stream
Additional Channel Fee	Rs:50,000 per additional channel

B. For Simulcast / Re-Transmission of FM Radio Channels Online

Description	Rate
Minimum Annual Royalty / License Fee (for a single channel)	Rs: 1,000,000

Description	Rate
Royalty Rate	Higher of 15% of Gross Revenue OR Rs: 10 per stream
Additional Channel Fee	Rs:50,000 per additional channel

Gross Revenue Definition

"Gross Revenue" includes all revenue generated directly or indirectly from the service, including:

- Subscriptions
- Advertising
- Sponsorships
- Recurring access charges

Less: applicable taxes and verified payment processing service fees (capped at 5% of revenue).

Applicability and Enforcement

a. This tariff comes into force on 01 Sept 2026, and applies to all royalties/license fees falling due on or after that date.

b. Non-compliant licensees seeking to regularize past or ongoing unauthorized use, infringement, or breach of license terms may be subject to a higher royalty rate, defined as:

- The current tariff plus a minimum of 50% (as an additional royalty), at the sole discretion of the Society.
- The exact additional amount may depend on the severity, frequency, duration, or willful nature of the violation.

c. Royalty/license fee rates shall be adjusted from time to time to reflect increases in the Consumer Price Index (CPI), either annually or cumulatively.

d. All royalty/license fees are **exclusive of applicable VAT, taxes, and statutory levies**.

13. INTERNET INTERACTIVE MUSIC STREAMING SERVICES

Scope of Tariff

This tariff applies to the communication to the public and/or performance of musical and literary works through their use in:

- Sound recordings, and/or
- Audio-visual files (including full-length music videos or art tracks),

delivered via Internet or Mobile/Cellular networks by means of interactive streaming, where the end-user selects a specific work (song) on an on-demand basis at a time and place of their choosing.

General Conditions

This tariff is subject to the General Conditions Applicable to Tariffs and Licenses issued by the Society. In addition:

- It applies exclusively to interactive streaming services, including free and paid (premium/subscription) models.
- Applicable royalty/license fees under Section 3(A) are subject to a non-refundable minimum annual fee.

Royalty / Licensing fee Structure

A. Applicable Royalty / License Fee Rates

Service Type	Royalty / License Fee
General Streaming	Higher of 15% of Per Stream Rate or 25% of Total Content Cost (TCC)
Premium / Subscription Model	15% of Gross Revenue

Minimum Per Stream Value: Rs: 10 per stream

Definitions

- **Free Service:** Any service provided to end-users without a subscription fee, typically supported by advertising or offered as part of a bundled deal.
- **Total Content Cost (TCC):** The amount paid by the service provider to music labels/companies for the right to use sound recordings.
- **Gross Revenue:** All income generated directly or indirectly, including from:
 - Subscriptions
 - Advertising
 - Sponsorships
 - Recurring or bundled access fees

Deductible: Applicable taxes and payment gateway fees (capped at 5%).

Minimum Annual Fee

This tariff is subject to a non-refundable minimum annual royalty/license fee, which shall be determined or amended from time to time by the Society, irrespective of revenue or stream-based calculation.

Applicability and Enforcement

a. This tariff is effective from 01 September 2026 and applies to all royalties/license fees falling due on or after that date.

b. Non-compliant licensees (those with past or existing infringements, breaches of agreement, unauthorized use, etc.) may be liable to pay a higher royalty, calculated as:

- The applicable tariff plus a minimum of 50% additional fee, at the Society's discretion.
- This adjustment may vary depending on the extent, nature, and frequency of the violation.

c. Tariff rates may be revised periodically to reflect inflation, based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI), either annually or cumulatively.

d. All royalty/license fees are exclusive of applicable VAT, taxes, and statutory levies.