

Music On Hold Legal Music

Under the Copyright Act 2001 (Amendment) it is Law in Australia to pay annual licences for permission to broadcast music in your business. Permission to use the music is by way of Licences broad blanket or direct.

...unless your business is broadcasting... our music..

The collection authorities in Australia are APRA/AMCOS & PPCA. You can read more by visiting their web sites.

<http://www.apra-amcos.com.au/About/AboutAPRAAMCOS.aspx>

<http://www.pcca.com.au/>

When using music purchased from us, Australian Public Performance Licenses are NOT REQUIRED!

This is because;

- our music is APRA & PPCA Licence Free: we don't ask any agency to collect money on our behalf.
- the music is 100% owned by us, so you are talking directly to the copyright owners.
- we are not seeking an annual fee from you, as the owners we get to say how it can be used.

Most music in the world requires an Annual License when used in businesses. This is because the music is generally the property of someone else (i.e. songwriters, performers publishers & record companies) all wanting to be paid when you broadcast their music in your business, for the benefit of your clients. This means that their music is being 'publically performed' and all the involved owners (songwriters, performers, publishers & record companies) expect a royalty. Paying these two annual fees, or worse, forgetting to has its consequences.

Our music is legally better for your business because;

- you only have to pay once per site
- you're not required to pay any agency to use it
- you're speaking directly with the copyright owners not a reproduction company
- if you want to use the music for other purposes (radio, web etc) it's easy to ask us directly!

What is Royalty-Free Music?

Royalty-Free Music means the artists isn't expecting money every time their music is being re-produced by another company as they will get paid annually by the licensing agency. Businesses playing 'royalty-free' music are still often required to pay annual Public Performance Licences, because it's only the company who reproduced the music that is exempt from the royalty each time they use it.

What is Copyright-Free Music?

Copyright Free music doesn't really exist for End Users (businesses). Generally someone somewhere owns the copyright on everything. If you buy copyright free music be sure to really understand the nitty gritty and having said that it's probably just easier to purchase one of our tracks and forget about the worry. If you own the copyright of the music then its copyright free for you to do anything you want with it, but if you don't own the copyright, then it will never be copyright free for you.

What is Public Performance Music?

Public Performance Music is the same as Licence Free Music. It means that you're allowed to publically broadcast the music as it is or have it mixed with messages. That's what our music is. Legal for you to download & broadcast for a lifetime. Pay once per site.