

PPL - PRS Royalty Thresholds 2023 - 2024

Below are the updated thresholds and minimum fees for commercial radio music licences with PPL and PRS for Music. These thresholds are adjusted on 1 October in any given licence year so as to reflect any movement in the RPI. The revised thresholds are effective from 1 October 2023 to 30 September 2024.

PPL

Thresholds/ revenue bands have been adjusted to reflect changes in the RPI index from June 2023.

Royalty rates:

NBR RATE

£2,013,321 or greater 5% of NBR £1,006,663 to £2,013,321 3% of NBR £53,866 to £1,006,662 2% of NBR

Up to £53,865 Minimum per platform fee(s)

A low usage rate of 1% applies where the proportion of PPL repertoire used is less than 15% of total annual broadcast hours.

Full Usage Reporting (e.g. unreconciled digital record of each day's musical output) starts when NBR reaches £5,466,009 and/or when the station operates a digital playout system.

Minimum fees:

The per platform minimum fees adjust every three years. The next adjustment will take effect from 1 October 2024.

- Minimum fee for AM/FM £809
- Minimum fee for local DAB £809
- Minimum fee local DAB simulcast £148
- Minimum fee for National DAB £1,473
- Minimum fee for Satellite Simulcast £1,473
- Minimum fee for Local Cable Simulcast £148
- Minimum fee for National Cable Simulcast £1,473
- Minimum fee for DTT (Freeview) £1,473
- Minimum fee for Internet Simulcast £1.473
- Minimum fee for test transmissions £361



PRS

PRS thresholds and percentages of Net Broadcasting Revenue (NBR) are marginally different to those used by PPL. Both these thresholds and lump sum payments have also been adjusted in line with annual RPI index published in July 2023.

Royalty rates:

NBR RATE

Greater than £1,988,919 5.25% of NBR

Between £994,458 and £1,988,919 4% of NBR

Between £42,864 and £994,458 3% of NBR

Up to £42,864 £1,284

Low usage (irrespective of NBR) 1% of NBR

Lump sums/ revenue bands:

Band 1 - Up to £153,556 - pays £84

Band 2 - Between £153,556 and £383,889 - pays £253

Band 3 - Between £383,889 and £994,458 - pays £630

Band 4 - Between £994,458 and £1,988,919 - pays £1,689

Band 5 - Between £1,988,919 and £4,606,665 - pays £2,534

Band 6 - Greater than £4,606,665 - pays £5,912

Annual minimum fee:

The fee will be £1,368 for stations with NBR less than £42,864

If you have any further questions on these rates please contact Will Thomson.