

Introducing our licences



The Church Copyright Licence (CCL)

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If you print song/service sheets or hymnbook supplements, make OHP acetates, store song lyrics on a computer for use with projection systems, or audio/video record music from your services, the Church Copyright Licence is the most convenient way of obtaining permission. The CCL covers the vast majority of worship songs and hymns, ensuring copyright owners are properly rewarded for the use of their work and giving churches the freedom to use the songs they wish to.

**Required for: Reproducing song words/
Storing song words on computer for projection**



The Music Reproduction Licence (MRL)

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To photocopy music or words from many hymnbooks and worship songbooks, permission is required. The Music Reproduction Licence (MRL) provides this for most song catalogues and publishers. It also permits you to create customised musical arrangements where no published version is available. The Music Reproduction Licence is available only as a supplement to the Church Copyright Licence (CCL).

Required for: Photocopying from music publications



The Copyright Licensing Agency (CLA) Church Licence

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If you photocopy directly from non-music publications (e.g. study books, children's games/puzzles, drama scripts etc.) you may need the CLA Church Licence. Always check the copyright information printed within the publication to confirm whether a licence is required.

Required for: Photocopying from non-music publications



The PRS for Music Church Licence

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If you or others perform live music or play commercial music recordings on church premises outside of Acts of Worship*, you'll require a PRS for Music Church Licence. This also covers up to six concerts/recitals a year. (When playing music recordings a PPL Church Licence is also required, see below)

*PRS for Music and PPL both currently waive the requirement for licence cover for music played or performed during Acts of Worship (i.e. regular services, weddings/funerals).

**Required for: Playing music recordings
and live music performances**



The PPL Church Licence

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If you play commercial music recordings outside of Acts of Worship*, you'll require a PPL Church Licence as well as a PRS for Music Church Licence as they cover different rights within a recording. With both licences you'll be permitted to play music at events, coffee mornings, parent & toddler groups, keep-fit classes, discos, etc.

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Required for: Playing music recordings (PRS licence also required)



The Church Video Licence (CVL)

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Videos and DVDs available for purchase or hire are not intended for public viewing. If you show film scenes during sermons, or if you plan to show an entire film for outreach or entertainment, the Church Video Licence, covering most major producers, is the most convenient way of obtaining permission. Films shown outside of Acts of Worship (i.e. regular services) will require the additional PRS for Music Church Licence to cover music on the film's soundtrack.

Required for: Showing films (PRS licence may also be required)

