Licence to play (publicly perform) music at receptions, conventions, assemblies, and fashion shows

Quick Facts

Licence period:
one quarter (Jan. to Mar.; Apr. to Jun.; Jul. to Sept.; Oct. to Dec.)

Per event* fee:
based on room capacity** and if there is dancing (see rate table)

Deadline:
within 30 days of the end of each quarter (music licence form and payment)

Music Licence Form:
socan.ca/form/8

Source: This text is from the SOCAN TARIFF, Section 8: RECEPTIONS, AND OTHER VENUES, ETC. The information is accurate as of the date the text was extracted.

Licence fee calculation

Rate Table:

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<th>room capacity</th>
<th>fee per event without dancing</th>
<th>fee per event with dancing</th>
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<td>1–100</td>
<td>$20.56</td>
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<td>101–300</td>
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<td>301–500</td>
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<td>Over 500</td>
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EXAMPLE 1:
From Jan. to Mar., Roses Hall hosted 3 events:

Jan. 7 – 120 people – with dancing
Feb. 24 – 300 people – without dancing
Mar. 17 – 50 people – without dancing

The hall licence fee for the 1st quarter of 2010 is:

$59.17 + $29.56 + $20.56 = $109.29 + taxes

EXAMPLE 2:
The Autumn Fashion Show was held on Sept. 10-11-12 with 250 people in attendance; however the room has a capacity of 450 people.

The licence fee for the fashion show is:

3 x $61.69 = $185.07 + taxes

Calculate your licence: socan.ca/calculator/8

If you have any additional music uses, please contact SOCAN or try the Licence Finder at socan.ca

Other tariffs that may apply:

15A (background music in a lobby, etc.)
15B (music on hold over the phone)
4A/B (concerts)

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