



## GEMA copyright royalties

Dear Client,

You will surely know that there are royalties payable for copying sound and/or data carriers that either go to the composers themselves or to the distributors inasmuch as these copyrights have been transferred to the same. In Germany, the realization of these so-called mechanical copyrights is usually transferred to an institution known as GEMA which will then demand a mechanical copyright license fee (MVL = mechanische Vervielfältigungslizenz) per each supplied data carrier and forward these payments – after deducting a processing fee – to the copyright owner in question.

Therefore, before any mechanical copy is produced, that is, before any data carrier is pressed, every work, i. e. every sound and/or data carrier comprising audio content, must be registered with GEMA. Inasmuch as mechanical copyrights have been, or will be, transferred to GEMA, at the time of copying or later, and also retrospectively, these fees must be paid to GEMA. GEMA must also be informed about GEMA-free music; in this case GEMA will send the client a so-called zero invoice.

There are several licensing models:

- Single agreement with GEMA: the client will report each work to GEMA and GEMA will send the corresponding invoice directly to the client. In any such case we as the mechanical copier must have a GEMA waiver from you before any order can be processed.
- Industrial agreement with GEMA: the client has entered into a production contract with GEMA permitting the licensing at special conditions. In this case we as the mechanical copier must have your industrial agreement number.
- Licensing via a VUT general agreement: the client has entered into a general contract with VUT that also permits the licensing at special conditions. In any such case we as the mechanical copier must have your VUT contract number and your GEMA client/registration/invoicing number.

Therefore, we kindly ask you to fill out the enclosed form before your first order and return it to us via mail or fax. Clients licensed exclusively via the single agreement model must send us the corresponding GEMA waiver when the order is placed. After receiving this waiver we are only allowed to start the production of your CD or LP.

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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### GEMA Registration

Client: \_\_\_\_\_

We are licensing our audio productions according to the following model:

Single agreement with GEMA: we are registering each work with GEMA which is invoicing us directly.

Before start of production, we will send MPO Audio & Video GmbH a corresponding GEMA waiver.

Industrial agreement with GEMA: we have entered into a production contract with GEMA. Our industrial contract number is as follows:

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Licensing via VUT general agreement: we have entered into a general agreement with VUT. Our VUT contract number is as follows:

Contract number \_\_\_\_\_ and

GEMA client /registration/invoicing number:

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\_\_\_\_\_, dated \_\_\_\_\_  
City Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature/Company Stamp  
Client