



Mechanical Copyright Protection Society Ireland Limited (MCPSI)

Mechanical Copyright Protection Society Ireland Limited (MCPSI) is an organisation which represents thousands of composers and publishers of music.

The right involved is a “mechanical” right because it involves the physical reproduction of a member’s musical works, although with the advent of digital media the internet the term “mechanical” has been broadened to include digital reproductions of MCPSI members’ works too.

The Mechanical Copyright Protection Society (M.C.P.S.I.) collects royalties on behalf of its composers and publisher members every time music is mechanically reproduced or pressed (with most major record labels and their subsidiaries, mechanicals are only paid on songs pressed and sold).

Royalties are collected from record companies and the mechanical rate is currently 8.5% of the published dealer price exclusive of Value Added Tax. This works out as €1.75 on a €24.99 CD.

Record companies pay the M.C.P.S.I. which remits royalties to its members on a monthly basis.

MCPSI is responsible for the collection of royalties for its members when their works are used on physical formats such as CD, DVD, Vinyl, etc. or made available for download via the internet, mobile phones and via other digital devices and services.

MCPSI also licenses the use (or synchronisation) of its members’ works in film, TV, radio, advertising, computer games and many other situations where music is used in conjunction with other media. MCPSI collects and distributes the royalties payable under these licenses.

By way of agency agreement with MCPS in the UK and through their reciprocal agreements with similar organisations around the world, MCPSI also represents the interests of many thousands of music copyright owners from other countries while providing copyright protection for its members in foreign territories.

This service is available to anybody who wants to record, duplicate or synchronize music including record companies, independent production companies, mobile and online companies and many others. MCPSI also licenses the importation of recordings from outside of the EU.

MCPSI is controlled by the Music Publishers’ Association of Ireland.

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