

DISTRIBUTION GUIDE FOR PUBLISHER MEMBERS



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Our distribution processes are explained below.

APRA

CODE: APRA's distributions are identified by a 6-character code e.g. P1710A, P1710N.

The code is a 6-character string consisting of the elements PYYMMC, where:

- **P** is a fixed character indicating this is a performing right royalty distribution.
- **YY** is a 2-digit identifier for the year in which the distribution payment is made e.g. 2017 = 17
- **MM** is a 2-digit identifier for the month in which APRA's processing of distribution data concludes, and CMS starts running distribution programs to generate member and society payments (please note this is not the month of the end of the quarter for which fees are being distributed.). e.g. for P1710A below, the royalties are for activities relating to April-June, which are then processed in the month of October, and that are paid in mid-November.
- Either the letter **A**, signifying Australian royalties; or **N**, signifying New Zealand royalties.

Code	Territory	Performance / Broadcast / Communication Date		Registration cut-off date for works & agreements		Distribution run commences		Distribution Date (approx.)	
P1901A	AUS	July - September	2018	15-Dec	2018	25-Jan	2019	1-Mar	2019
P1901N	NZ								
P1904A	AUS	October - December	2018	15-Mar	2019	12-Apr	2019	15-May	2019
P1904N	NZ								
P1907A	AUS	January - March	2019	14-Jun	2019	12-Jul	2019	15-Aug	2019
P1907N	NZ								
P1910A	AUS	April - June	2019	13-Sep	2019	15-Oct	2019	15-Nov	2019
P1910N	NZ								
P2001A	AUS	July - September	2019	13-Dec	2019	24-Jan	2020	01-Mar	2020
P2001N	NZ								
P2004A	AUS	October - December	2019	13-Mar	2020	15-Apr	2020	15-May	2020
P2004N	NZ								

FREQUENCY: All distributable APRA revenue is paid quarterly, with the exception of the following:

Bi-annually (paid in May and November)

- Churches

Annually (paid in November, unless otherwise shown)

- 'Ambient' Music claims
- Self-reported Jingle Reporting Forms (JRFs) for ads played in non-EDS (Enriched Data Source) areas only (all other jingles aired in EDS areas now distributed quarterly)
- Performance Reports (PRs)
- Schools and Universities (paid in August)

For more information, please see [APRA Distribution Rules](#) and [APRA Distribution Practices](#)

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AMCOS

CODE: AMCOS' quarterly distributions are named after the year and the quarter for which royalties are being distributed, using a **YYMM** naming convention. For example, AMCOS distribution 1703 is for the March (03) quarter of 2017 (17).

Code	CMS distribution run commences	AREV Distribution commences (5 days later)	Payment & statements to members by
1812	01-Feb-19	06-Feb-19	01-Mar-19
1903	01-May-19	06-May-19	30-May-19
1906	01-Aug-19	06-Aug-19	29-Aug-19
1909	01-Nov-19	06-Nov-19	29-Nov-19
1912	01-Feb-20	06-Feb-20	29-Feb-20
2003	01-May-20	06-May-20	30-May-20
2006	01-Aug-20	06-Aug-20	29-Aug-20
2009	01-Nov-20	06-Nov-20	29-Nov-20

FREQUENCY: All distributable AMCOS revenue is paid quarterly, with the exception of the following:

Monthly

- Advertising Pay Per Use (AMCOS New Zealand only)

Annually

- Schools Photocopying - June quarter
- Schools Audio & Video Reproduction – June quarter
- Screenrights Musical Works – June quarter
- Tertiary – June quarter

Major Label Service Agreement (MLSA) Distribution Periods

- Q1: January – March is distributed in May
- Q2: April – June is distributed in August
- Q3: July – September is distributed in November
- Q4: October – December is distributed in March

For more information, please see [AMCOS Distribution Rules](#) and [AMCOS Distribution Practices](#)