

PPL - PRS Royalty Thresholds 2025 – 2026

Below are the updated thresholds and minimum fees for commercial radio music licences with PPL and PRS for Music. These thresholds are adjusted on 1 October in any given licence year so as to reflect any movement in the RPI. The revised thresholds are effective from 1 October 2025 to 30 September 2026.

PPL

In accordance with Clause 5.2 of the TRL, PPL has now adjusted the NBR thresholds in line with June's RPI. Please see below the updated thresholds to apply for the period 1 October 2025 to 30 September 2026.

NBR thresholds

YE 26 threshold	Rate
Up to £57,867	Minimum per platform fee(s)
£57,868 to £1,081,433	2% of NBR
£1,081,434 to £2,162,862	3% of NBR
£2,162,863 or greater	5% of NBR

The full usage reporting threshold for YE 26 is £5,872,002

Minimum fees

The per platform minimum fees adjust every three years with June's RPI pursuant to Clause 5.3 of the TRL. The minimum fees were last adjusted from 1 October 2024 and will not adjust again until 1 October 2027 (for the YE September 2028):

Platform	YE 25 to YE 27 min fee
AM/FM	£833
Local DAB	£833
Local DAB Simulcast	£152
National DAB	£1,516
Satellite Simulcast	£1,516
Local Cable Simulcast	£152
National Cable Simulcast	£1,516
DTT (Freeview)	£1,516
Internet Simulcast	£1,516
Test transmissions (per month or part-month)	£371

PRS

PRS thresholds and percentages of Net Broadcasting Revenue (NBR) are marginally different to those used by PPL. Fees are calculated using the station's Net Broadcasting Revenue (NBR) and include both an annual royalty fee and a fee based upon the royalty rate.

The NBR bands and minimum royalty are adjusted yearly, from 1 October, by reference to RPI. All fees quoted are subject to VAT. Please note that these fees have been uplifted using July's RPI: 4.8%

Royalty rates

Annual Net Broadcasting Revenue	Royalty Fee
Up to £166,720	£92
Between £166,720 and £416,799	£275
Between £416,799 and £1,079,711	£684
Between £1,079,711 and £2,159,425	£1,834
Between £2,159,425 and £5,001,586	£2,751
Greater than £5,001,586	£6,419

Annual Net Broadcast Revenue	Royalty Rate
Up to £46,538	£1,394
Between £46,538 and £1,079,711	3%
Between £1,079,711 and £2,159,425	4%
Greater than £2,159,425	5.25%
Subject to the annual minimum fee, where the total music use is less than 15% of total broadcast time, and regardless of the NBR level, the percentage rate will be	1%

Minimum annual fee

A minimum annual fee of £1,485 per licensed station is payable regardless of NBR.

If you have any further questions on these rates please contact [Will Thomson](#).