

# 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.)	
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								
P2007A	AUS	January - March	2020	15-Jun	2020	15-Jul	2020	15-Aug	2020
P2007N	NZ								
P2010A	AUS	April - June	2020	15-Sep	2020	15-Oct	2020	15-Nov	2020
P2010N	NZ								
P2101A	AUS	July - September	2020	15-Dec	2020	21 Jan	2021	26 Feb	2021
P2101N	NZ								
P2104A	AUS	October - December	2020	15-Mar	2021	15 Apr	2021	15 May	2021
P2104N	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
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
2012	01-Feb-21	06-Feb-21	1-Mar-21
2103	01-May-21	06-May-21	30-May-21
2106	01-Aug-21	06-Aug-21	29-Aug-21
2109	01-Nov-21	06-Nov-21	29-Nov-21

**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](#)