

Part A

Category 46 Inland & Coastal Vessels

1. Under this category, the Licence is only for usage of the Licensed Music as unobtrusive background music solely as an ambient background music within the vessels, creating a pleasant and relaxing atmosphere for passengers and crew during the journey. Inland and Coastal Vessels for Cargo and Passengers refers to vessels that primarily operate within inland waterways, coastal areas, and short-sea routes, and are used for transporting cargo and passengers. These vessels typically have limited onboard entertainment facilities and provide transportation services without an emphasis on luxury or high-end amenities. The Luxury cruise liners do not fall under the category of "Inland and Coastal Vessels for Cargo and Passengers" due to the distinctive features and nature of their operations. "Luxury Cruise Liners" refers to vessels that offer luxurious and high-end amenities, extensive onboard entertainment facilities, and provide an enhanced cruise experience with a strong emphasis on leisure, entertainment, and hospitality services.

2. License fee shall be calculated at the following rates

Type of Vessel	License Fee per annum per Vessel (Rs.)
Cargo Vessel	25,000
Passenger Vessel	50,000

3. The Licence taken under this category does not permit use for any active commercial purposes, including but not limited to live performances, public events, or any activities where the music becomes a primary and prominent component of the performance. The licensed music also cannot be used for internal or external advertising campaigns, promotional videos, or any form of commercial advertisement within or outside the vessel. Further, the licensed music shall not be used to organize or participate in any flash mobs, organized dance events, or any activity involving choreographed performances on the vessel.

4. The licensed music shall not be used in any dedicated restaurants, entertainment sections, discotheques, or dance floors on the vessel.

5. The Licence issued under this category explicitly excludes the usage of Licensed Music for the following located within the premises of Inland and Coastal Vessels.

a. Restaurants, cafes, or any food and beverage establishments, whether within or adjacent to Inland & Coastal Vessels.

b. Pubs, bars, discotheques/ nightclubs, or any venue primarily serving alcoholic beverages.

c. Hotels, motels, lodges, and any accommodation establishments

6. The different parts or areas of the licensed premises may require distinct recorded music selections to maintain appropriate ambiance and cater to the specific needs of each area. For each area within the licensed premises where different recorded music selections are played, a separate Licence need to be obtained.

7. Due to a significant increase in membership and content, with PPL now managing over 7 million+ sound recordings (a 100% increase in the past four years), an adjustment in tariffs was found necessary. The revised fees ensure fair compensation for the expanded repertoire, while still offering very reasonable rates for access to PPL's vast and diverse music library.

8. The revised tariffs are partially designed to support PPL's members in fulfilling their financial obligations to ISAMRA ensuring that PPL's members can continue to pay ISAMRA for Performers' Rights, thereby preventing any additional fees or legal actions against PPL's licensees by ISAMRA. This tariff adjustment is solely for the financial support of PPL's members and does not constitute a charge for the exploitation of ISAMRA's rights.

9. General Terms

9.1 This tariff category is subject to the general rules and guidelines set forth in the Preamble of the Tariff Scheme, which must be followed meticulously. The licensee is advised to carefully review the Preamble and ensure compliance with its provisions at all times while availing the rates prescribed under this tariff category.

9.2 This Tariff applies to the Public Performance of Music at the premises either for staff members or for general public by any mechanical or electronic device, including radio, television (for playing standalone sound recordings), record/CD/tape players and digital music service by way of Background Music.

9.3 The above tariff is for Background Music only. A Background Licence is not valid for any Event (e.g. Shows, promotions, product launches, fashion shows, DJ parties, New Year Events etc.). For all events / shows organized in the said category a separate Event Licence has to be obtained. For Events Licence refer Event Categories.

9.4 The above tariff is based on the declarations made by Licensees about the usage of the copyrighted sound recordings controlled by PPL India. These declarations have been adopted in good faith which if found incorrect, shall invite the recovery of additional fees towards damages.

9.5 Non-Compliant Licensees who seek to regularize past infringements/violations/breach of PPL India's rights and licences (including noncompliance with agreements, usage without clearance, litigations etc.) additional fees towards damages over the existing Tariff shall be applied at the discretion of the company.

10. The above Tariff comes into force from 01st September, 2023.