

Provision of information: relevant turnover submission, Various licensees

Type of case	Broadcast Licence Conditions
Outcome	In Breach
Service	Various
Date & time	n/a
Category	Provision of information: relevant turnover submission
Summary	<p>8 licensees failed to submit their Relevant Turnover returns for 2021. Breaches of Licence Condition 8(1) (provision of information).</p> <p>1 licensee(s) failed to submit their Relevant Turnover return for 2021. They subsequently submitted a late return. Resolved.</p>

Introduction

Each licensee is required to submit to Ofcom an annual statement of its Relevant Turnover for the previous calendar year. The provision of this information is a licence requirement for all radio licensees. The information is used by Ofcom to fulfil its market reporting obligations and, for some licence types, it enables Ofcom to determine the fees for the following year.

A number of radio licensees failed to submit their Relevant Turnover return to Ofcom by the deadline specified.

Ofcom considered that this raised issues warranting investigation under Licence Condition 8(1) which states:

“The Licensee shall furnish Ofcom in such a manner and at such times as Ofcom may reasonably require such documents, accounts, returns, estimates, reports, notices or other information as Ofcom may require

for the purpose of exercising the functions assigned to it by or under the 1990 Act, the 1996 Act or the Communications Act.”

Failure to provide Relevant Turnover information to Ofcom when requested represents a significant breach of a broadcast licence, as it means that Ofcom is unable to properly carry out its regulatory duties.

Decision

Resolved

The following licensee failed to submit its Relevant Turnover return for 2021 in accordance with the deadline, but subsequently submitted a late return. For these licensee, we therefore consider this matter resolved.

Licensee	Service name	Licence Number
An individual	Ramadan Radio Live	DP103268BA

In Breach

The following licensees failed to submit their Relevant Turnover return(s) for 2021. These licensees have therefore been found **in breach of Licence Condition 8(1) of their Local Digital Sound Programme licences**:

Licensee	Service name	Licence Number
Baikal Radio Limited	Baikal Radio	DP102214BA
Starpoint Radio Limited	Starpoint Radio	DP101121BA
UKMusicGroup Ltd	UNITY DAB	DP103655BA
Alias Music and Community Projects C.I.C.	1 Brighton FM	DP101321BA
Festiva Ltd	88.3 Centreforce	DP102442BA
Liverpool Live 24/7 Media Ltd	Liverpool Live 24/7	DP103420BA
NotesPerfect	Rootz N' Rockerz	DP103029BA
An individual	Trickstar Radio	DP101675BA