

Contribution Regulations for the Berlin Music Commission eG

These contribution regulations, approved on the 6th of March 2019 by both the Board of Directors and the Supervisory Board of the Berlin Music Commission, were decided as follows.

§ 1 Contribution Obligations

- (1) Membership to the Berlin Music Commission is subject to a fee. The Berliner Network finances its activities from membership fees and admission fees in accordance with these contribution regulations, as well as from fees for the exchange of services and funding.
- (2) Contributions are required for:
 - a.) Individuals who want to support the work of the Berlin Music Commission without falling under the following subparagraph b),
 - b.) Companies in the Berlin music industry, without consideration of the legal form in which these are operated

§ 2 Membership Fees

- (1) The annual contributions are payable as follows:

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| (1) Individuals pay an annual fee of | 100 Euro |
| (2) Small companies (owner and 2 employees) | 300 Euro |
| (3) Medium-sized companies (owners and 3-10 employees) and associates | 500 Euro |
| (4) Large companies (over 10 employees) | 800 Euro |

The annual fee is due at the beginning of each year.

- (2) The member is obligated to provide the cooperative with any information necessary for the assessment of the contribution at any time.

§ 3 Individual Case Regulation

- (1) The Management Board may by simple majority decide on a dubious contribution for a member in a justified individual case.
- (2) In addition, the Executive Board is entitled to grant a reduction of contributions for the realization of the statutes, especially in the following cases:
 - (1) a.) if the payment is due;
 - (2) b.) in the first year of membership;
 - (3) c.) when a new member is advertised by the contributor.
- (3) In addition, the Executive Board is entitled to partially or completely waive the due membership fee if there is a predominantly negative prospect of the collectability of the claim, or if the enforcement of the claim for contributions appears to be an undue hardship.

§ 4 Association Discount

(1) An annual discount of 50% may be applied to the annual contributions referred to in § 2. When necessary the member in question must submit an informally written application to the branch office until 31.1. of the current year or within one month from the beginning of the membership.

Membership to any of the associations or networks referred to in section (2) shall be evidenced by submission of an account statement (showing the payment of the membership fee) or a current confirmation letter. This proof must be presented again every year until the deadline mentioned above. Retroactive granting of the association discount is not possible.

(2) The discount is granted for membership to at least one of the following associations & networks (dual membership):

- a.) Clubcommission Berlin - Verband der Berliner Club-, Party- und Kulturereignisveranstalter e.V.
- b.) Deutscher Musikverleger-Verband e.V.
- c.) VUT – Verband unabhängiger Musikunternehmen e.V.

A discount of more than 50% due to membership in more than one of the aforementioned associations or networks is not possible.

(3) The discount is applied to the categories of the contribution regulations according to § 2. Category 1 - Individuals - is already a discounted category to which the association discount cannot be applied. The following contributions result from the application of the association discount.

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| (1) Individuals pay an annual fee of | 100 Euro |
| (2) Small companies (owner and 2 employees) | 150 Euro |
| (3) Medium-sized companies (owners and 3-10 employees) and associates | 250 Euro |
| (4) Large companies (over 10 employees) | 400 Euro |

(4) It is not possible to combine the association discount with individually granted discounts according to § 3 (individual case regulation). The discount is exclusive to the membership fee, which according to the contribution regulations under § 2, section (1) would be due in accordance with the number of employees.

§ 5 Due Dates

(4) The membership fee is due in full in advance on the 1st of each quarter or at the beginning of the year.

(5) The Board will take all civil law measures necessary in order to collect contributions.

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(7) The BMC charges in addition to the external costs:

- a.) an amount of 10.00 Euros for each reminder after the first occurrence of a delayed payment;
- b.) a flat rate of 5.00 Euro for each address determination in case of failed delivery to the last known address, in addition to the costs incurred;
- c.) a lump-sum processing fee of 2.50 Euros for each returned direct debit payment after the issued direct debit authorization, in addition to the costs incurred;
- d.) for each installment agreement, a processing fee of 10% of the deferred amount, amounting to at least 5.00 Euros.

(8) For legal disputes arising from contributions by the BMC against members, the District Court at the headquarters of the cooperative is responsible.

§ 6 Method of Payment

(1) Membership fees are generally paid by direct debit. On special request, the membership fee can also be paid by bank transfer. In each case, the membership number is to be specified.

§ 7 Admission Fees

There is a one-time admission fee of 100,00 Euro, which is due in full at the beginning of the membership. It has the value of two shares of the cooperative. These can be purchased from a member of the cooperative. The sale is regulated in consultation with the office of the Berlin Music Commission.

§ 8 Validity

For the first time starting from the 1st of April 2019, the contribution regulations above are to be applied retroactively for the months of January to March 2019. (Contribution regulations are in the current version from 6th of March 2019).