



PUBLIC NOTICE

ADHERENCE TO COPYRIGHT OBLIGATIONS BY LICENSED SERVICE PROVIDERS

The Kenya Copyright Board (KECOBO) is a State Corporation established by Section 3 of the Copyright Act, 2001. It is mandated with the administration and enforcement of Copyright and Related rights including licensing and oversight of Collective Management Organizations (CMOs).

The Communications Authority of Kenya (CA) is the regulatory agency for the ICT industry in Kenya with responsibilities in telecommunications, e-commerce, cyber security, broadcasting and postal/courier services. The CA is also responsible for managing the country's numbering and frequency spectrum resources, administering the Universal Service Fund (USF) as well as protecting interests of users of ICT services.

The Authority is also mandated to enforce compliance to copyright and related rights for its licensed service providers.

The Authority and the Board wish to notify all **broadcast service providers** and **telecommunications content service providers** that they are required to adhere to all copyright obligations as provided for in their licence conditions and ensure adherence to any other laws as they carry out their services.

Take notice that service providers are responsible for all obligations and liabilities to any third party associated with copyrights or other rights that may arise from the broadcast/distribution of copyrighted content. They are also expected to negotiate and agree on legal contracts with copyright licensing bodies or authorized legal vendors before broadcasting/distributing copyrighted material.

In this regard CA requires broadcast service providers and telecommunications content service providers to demonstrate that they have met their copyright obligations in accordance with their licence conditions by furnishing the Authority with documentary evidence on the payment of music or any other royalties in compliance to the said requirement by **29th November, 2019**.

The Authority will organize sensitization forums at a date to be communicated later. For any clarifications please contact the undersigned.

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