

Copyright & Licencing: Australian Record Industry Association (ARIA)

ARIA is a non-profit organisation which represents the record companies included in ARIA's Schedule of Record Companies. Some of these include EMI, Universal, Warner and Polystar (owned by Warner).

ARIA has more than 80 members ranging from small "boutique" labels typically run by 1-5 people, to medium size companies and very large companies employing thousands of people.

In broad terms ARIA performs four main functions:

- ARIA acts as an advocate for the industry, domestically and internationally
- ARIA collects statistical information from members and retailers. It compiles numerous ARIA charts with data provided by over 700 retailers
- ARIA is a focus for industry opinion and a compiler of industry information and views
- ARIA provides in certain cases, a "blanket" licensing function on behalf of it's members for various copyright users

ARIA issues licences for the reproduction (dubbing) of certain sound recordings.

Do you need a ARIA licence?

You will need an ARIA licence if you are 'dubbing' music onto CDs for example for any reason. These reasons might include performing or for ease of use in lessons.

An example of such use is the recording of songs on a student's 'practice' CD for the purpose of home practice.

Another example may be the reproduction of tracks to create a compilation CD for concert or performance use.

As a singing teacher what license(s) do I need from ARIA?

When I first research this topic back in 2003, the following conditions applied to this licence:

- The licence shall apply to any sound recording other than those owned or licenced to the companies listed
- The singing studio does not sell or export the product
- *Use:* Reproduction on to compact disc for use during singing lessons
- *Fee:* A fee applies
- *Term:* (to make reproduction): One year

For further information and advice on licences that may apply to your Studio contact ARIA.



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