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**For the attention of the Headteacher/Bursar**

**Motion Picture Licensing Company – MPLC Umbrella Licence for Schools  
for the year 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026**

We are pleased to work in partnership with MPLC and have jointly agreed that IAPS will administer the issuing of MPLC Umbrella Licences to Independent Schools. This offers the same simple licence process you enjoy with IAPS for your CLA, and NLA licences. It also brings with it IAPS knowledge, expertise and advice together with the added cost benefit through a special IAPS annual tariff.

Your MPLC Umbrella Licence for Independent Schools to legally show pre-recorded films, specialist educational and TV DVDs, Blu-ray and legal downloads is enclosed.

There are two licences a school needs for the comprehensive legal use of DVD/Video - a MPLC Licence and a PVS Licence. The MPLC Umbrella Licence is in place to protect the independent studios rights in the same way as the mainly Hollywood studios are through the PVS Licence. For further information on the PVS Licence and around 15 studios represented, please refer to PVSL 'Participating Studios' at [www.filmbankmedia.com/licences/pvsl/](http://www.filmbankmedia.com/licences/pvsl/).

The MPLC Umbrella Licence for Schools exclusively represents a growing number of over 3,000 independent film studios, specialist educational and TV producers. These include Sony Pictures Classics, Lionsgate, Ealing Studios, Scholastics Inc, McGraw-Hill, Golden Books, The Family Entertainment Library, Big Idea, Contender and HIT Entertainment. The major TV producers are also represented.

The licence allows unlimited showings of MPLC producer's titles and there is no reporting of use or any other administration required. Just simple annual cover at one low annual fee. Schools can use their own libraries of films, from any legal rental or retail source. There can be no admission fee charged to view the film and no advertisement of the title to the general public.

The MPLC Umbrella Licence for Schools is required in addition to any existing licence arrangements with no overlap or duplication with any other licence the school may already hold.

Home entertainment formats (video/DVD/Blu-ray/digital file, AVI, Mpeg/flash/RM/MP4 etc) whether rented or purchased or downloaded from the internet are intended for home use only, as per the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988. Showing films anywhere outside of a domestic, home environment are considered 'public performances' and require a licence.

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Further details about the MPLC Umbrella Licence are available on the MPLC website [www.themplc.co.uk](http://www.themplc.co.uk)

- Enclosed is an invoice for licence fees due for the year 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026. The licence fee is based on the number of pupils in the school in the January of the preceding year (i.e.2024) and should be paid within 14 days. If fees are not received promptly by IAPS then we reserve the right to pass your account and contact details back to MPLC who will contact you directly.
- Would you please arrange to pay the invoice by **bank transfer to The Royal Bank of Scotland, Sort Code 16-23-15, Account Number 11757373** or send a **cheque, made payable to IAPS**, to Bishop's House, Artemis Drive, Tachbrook Park, Warwick CV34 6UD. With so many schools having the same, or similar, names would you please quote your account number in the details of the bank transfer or on the reverse of the cheque. **WE DO NOT COLLECT PAYMENTS BY DIRECT DEBIT and WE DO NOT ACCEPT PAYMENT FOR LICENCES BY CREDIT OR DEBIT CARDS.**
- The specially agreed IAPS annual tariff for the MPLC Umbrella Licence is £104.02 + VAT for up to 300 pupils, £147.38 + VAT for 301 to 1000 pupils and £190.70 + VAT for 1001 to 5000 pupils. If you have any queries about the Licence please contact IAPS in the first instance on 01926 461506 or email [accounts@iaps.uk](mailto:accounts@iaps.uk)
- Our Data Retention Policy and Privacy Notice may be found on our website [www.iaps.uk](http://www.iaps.uk)