

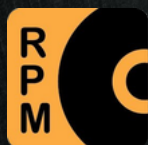
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1. BACKGROUND

This Guideline (and amendments or revisions thereof) contains the terms and conditions governing RPM Membership and shall be read together with the online membership registration and declarations submitted through the RPM Members Portal. These terms form part of the RPM Membership requirements as outlined in the Constitution of Recording Performers Malaysia Berhad (RPM).

This guide may be updated periodically to reflect changes in RPM's policies, procedures, or operational requirements.

2. ELIGIBILITY

You are eligible for membership if:

- 2.1 You are an artist, musician or person entitled to any Performers' Right with at least three (3) commercially released sound recordings.
- 2.2 A Malaysian citizen or a person with Permanent Resident ("PR") status in Malaysia who holds an Identity Card (MyKad).
- 2.3 A non-Malaysian citizen or PR with a valid passport, but whose performances-
 - Takes place in Malaysia;
 - Is incorporated in sound recordings that are protected under Performers' Right; or
 - Has not been fixed in a sound recording but is included in a broadcast qualifying for protection under Performers' Right.

The Member's Mandate & Declaration must be signed and received by RPM.

All membership applications are subject to review and approval by RPM's Board of Directors. Upon approval, applicants will be notified via their registered email address and may access the Members Portal to obtain their Membership ID.



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3. MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

3.1 Applications for RPM Membership must be submitted through the RPM Members Portal at:

[RPM Members Portal](#)

3.2 To begin, you must create an account before accessing the performer registration process. Upon submission, a verification link will be sent to your registered email address; you must click this link to activate your account before you can proceed to submit your performer details through the Members Portal.

3.3 To complete the online registration, applicants are required to upload the following supporting documents through the Members Portal:

- One (1) copy of NRIC / Passport / Birth Certificate;
- One (1) copy of Album / EP Cover / Proof of Commercial Recording;
- One (1) copy of the bank statement header or a bank confirmation letter

3.4 Applicants must ensure that all information and supporting documents submitted through the Members Portal are complete, accurate, and up to date. Incomplete applications may result in delays in processing or may be rejected.

3.5 RPM reserves the right to request additional documents or information from applicants at any time for verification and membership assessment purposes.

3.6 Submission of an application through the Members Portal does not automatically grant membership. All applications remain subject to verification and approval by the RPM Board in accordance with RPM's Constitution and membership requirements.



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4. TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP

4.1 Performers

- Performer Membership is on an individual basis.
- If performers team up as a band, each member needs to apply individually.

4.2 Successor membership

- Any successor of a deceased performer member is required to apply for admission as successor member within three (3) years of the performer's death.
- Only one (1) successor member to be appointed to represent to join RPM as a Successor Member and receive the royalties for the deceased performer member.
- If no successor applies within three (3) years, the allocation of usage and UPA will be revoked and will be placed under inactive membership. This is only applicable for the deceased existing member.
- If no successor applies within three (3) years, the deceased's royalties will be ploughed back into the general pool in the 4th year's distribution and allocated proportionally among all parties receiving royalties in that Distribution Year.
- For Muslims – The successor must provide the following:
 - a) One (1) copy of Fara'id Certificate from Syariah Court on Distribution of Assets.
 - b) One (1) copy of Statutory Declaration, signed by all beneficiaries (per Fara'id Certificate) appointing the Successor to represent them to join RPM as a Successor Member.
 - c) If not available, provide one (1) copy of the Grant of Probate or Letters of Administration issued by Court.

For Non-Muslims– The successor must provide one (1) copy of the Grant of Probate or Letters of Administration that is valid in Malaysia.
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4.3 Minor / Parental Membership

- For performer members who are below 18 years of age, the Minor/Parental membership category shall apply.
- The minor performer must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian to apply for membership.
- The parent or legal guardian will act as the authorised representative and signatory for the minor performer's membership application and all related matters.
- Once the minor performer reaches 18 years of age, they will need to re-apply for membership under the regular Performers category and provide all required documents independently.

5. ENTITLEMENT OF MEMBERS

- 5.1 An Associate Member shall automatically become an Ordinary Member if they meet the qualifying criteria for royalties received during the preceding financial year, as determined by the Board.
- 5.2 An Ordinary Member shall automatically become an Associate Member if they fail to meet the qualifying criteria for royalties received during the preceding financial year, as determined by the Board.
- 5.3 Only Ordinary Members shall be entitled to vote at any General Meeting, which may be exercised by the Ordinary Member either personally or by proxy. On a vote by show of hands, every Ordinary Member shall have one vote. On a poll, each Ordinary Member shall have one vote plus an additional one vote ("weighted vote") for each complete unit of RM1,000 in royalties received during the preceding financial year. However, no Ordinary Member can exercise more than 10% of the total votes of all Ordinary Members.

Category	Associate Member	Ordinary Member
Qualification	· Featured Performers · Non-featured performers	· Featured Performers · Non-featured performers
Attend AGM	Yes	Yes
Vote	No	Yes

*** Featured Performers (FP) include singers, main vocalists, bands and groups*

***Non-featured performers (NFP) include musicians, session musicians, backing vocals, etc.*



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6. ROYALTIES TRANSFERRED TO THIRD PARTY

Members are allowed to transfer their royalties to another individual's name, provided that the following requirements are satisfied:

- Submit one (1) copy of Statutory Declaration ("SD") specifying the details of the transfer, including the new bank account information.
- Provide one (1) copy of Banking Instruction Form (attached with one copy of bank statement header).

7. ENTRY FEES AND SUBSCRIPTION

There is no entry fee required for joining RPM.

8. MULTIPLE MEMBERSHIPS

RPM does not allow multiple memberships for the same rights. Performers who are members of other collecting societies that administer or manage the same rights as RPM will not be accepted as members.

9. UNCLOGGED PERFORMANCE ALLOCATION (UPA)

Inactive members

- UPA will be allocated only to members who have earned any performing royalties in the distribution year and must be continuously received for two consecutive years. An inactive status will be applied after two years if no usage is found in the reports.

10. TERMINATION

10.1 Any existing members of RPM who wish to terminate their membership, need to send the termination letter to RPM. The termination will be effective six (6) months from the date of the prior written notice.

10.2 A member shall cease to be a member of RPM and his/her name shall be removed from the Register of Members.

11. REINSTATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP

Any former member wishing to reinstate their membership must apply a new membership application. The reinstated membership will take effect from the date RPM receives the completed Membership Agreement and signed Member's Mandate.



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