

HOW TO CLEAR MUSIC ON PHYSICAL AUDIO PRODUCTIONS (CD, VINYL & MC)

NCB handles the mechanical copyright on behalf of composers, lyricists, music publishers, arrangers etc.

This means that you need to clear your physical audio productions with NCB, also when releasing your own or copyright free music.



1. MAKE THE MASTER & FIND A FACTORY

If you are copying from an existing recording, you must clear the master rights through the record label.

If you are recording your own master, find a factory and continue to step 2.

You might need additional permissions from the rights holders if you:

- have made alterations to existing songs
- release songs for the first time
- only use parts of existing songs



2. FILL IN OUR WEB APPLICATION

Go to our web application: www.ncb.dk/ncb/musicapplication and either register as a new user, or use an already existing user profile.

If you're only releasing your own music you'll only pay a minimum fee.

If you're releasing someone else's music (e.g. a cover version) you'll pay a copyright fee.

You can calculate the fees on our website.



3. PAY & RELEASE

You can choose to pay by credit card right away or pay by invoice.

Regardless of your payment method you will receive an invoice by email.

Once you've paid, we'll inform the factory that your production is cleared for release.

Remember that the NCB logo must appear on the label print.

Find it on: www.ncb.dk



ONLY MAKING A DIGITAL RELEASE?

NCB doesn't handle digital releases.

To register a digital release contact your local rights society.

(Koda, STEF, STIM, Teosto & TONO)

