

# Radio and TV Broadcasters

The media sector in the Republic of North Macedonia consists of three segments: (1) a public broadcasting service (the Macedonian Radio and Television); (2) commercial television and radio stations, and (3) non-profit radios.

Radio and television broadcasting may be performed only on the basis of a license, granted by the Agency for Audio and Audiovisual Media Services. The Period of **validity of the licenses** for television or radio broadcasting is **nine years**, with a possibility to be extended, for another nine years.

Currently, **there is a total of 109 broadcasters, 43 of which are televisions and 66 are radios**. Of the televisions, 11 broadcast programme at the state level (5 via multiplex, 4 via cable operators and 2 via satellite); 17 – at the regional level (6 via multiplex and 11 via cable operators), while 15 are local television stations (via cable operators).

Of the radios, 4 broadcast programme at the state level, 17 – at the regional level (of which 1 is a non-profit radio), and 45 – at the local level (3 are non-profit ones).

**The Agency conducts supervision over the broadcasters, supervising several aspects of their work: protection of juvenile audience, advertising, sponsorship, product placement, obligations to air music and originally created programmes, etc.**

A report is prepared following every conducted supervision. If infringement is detected, the Agency imposes a warning measure against the broadcaster at issue, or, should the latter continue to commit the same violation against the law throughout the year, it initiates a misdemeanour procedure before a competent court

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- Register of Televisions
- TV-related Forms
- Overview of Misdemeanour Procedures

- Programming Concepts of the Television Programming Services

## **RADIOS**

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- Programming Concepts of the Radio Programming Services