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# Associations licence – standard (hardcopy) licence

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## CAL's Associations licence

CAL's Associations licence allows copying of copyright works by non-profit organisations, such as associations, societies and unions. Although CAL recognises the diversity of non-profit organisations, it has adopted the term 'association' to cover all such organisations.

If the association is unincorporated, the licence requires both the applicant and the association to be a party to it. Associations often have a number of local or regional branches. CAL prefers to enter into one licence, if appropriate, with the head office or peak body of a group of associations acting on behalf of their branches or smaller associations.

## What type of organisations are eligible?

To be eligible for the Associations licence, an organisation must be a non-profit organisation. Please contact CAL's Licensing consultants for assistance.

## What can be copied?

Copies made by, or on behalf of, your association under the Associations licence must be made for the purposes of the association. The licence does not cover copying for the private purposes of your members or employees.

The copies you make can be sent to your members and other interested parties. The licence does not permit your association to sell those copies. If your association wishes to sell copies of works represented by CAL, you must apply for a separate licence.

## How long does copyright last?

The duration of copyright protection varies according to the type of material protected. In most cases, copyright lasts for the life of the creator plus 70 years. After expiry of copyright, the work enters what is known as the 'public domain' where it can be freely used without permission.

## Copying rights

The Associations licence allows your association to photocopy without limitation, articles represented by CAL from newspapers and magazines. Copying of journal articles and books is subject to the limits set out in the licence. Those limits do not apply if you are unable to obtain an original version of the journal or book within a certain time.

## Term of licence

The term of the Associations licence continues from year to year until terminated in accordance with the terms of the licence. Termination is effective on the next occurring 31 December. As a general rule, 60 days notice of termination is required.

## CAL surveys

Your association may be required to participate in a survey of copying for six to eight weeks every calendar year. During the survey the association will be required to complete full and accurate records of all its copying of CAL's members' works. The



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month to be surveyed will be selected at CAL's discretion and will vary from year to year. The records completed during the survey are used to distribute monies back to copyright owners.

CAL will provide at least one month's notice prior to conducting a survey.

### **Annual licence fee**

The annual licence fee will be calculated on membership numbers.

### **Where does the money go?**

CAL distributes the licence fees it collects from its licensees, less its administration costs, to the appropriate copyright owners according to the results of its surveys.

### **Display notices**

Your association is required to place a notice at copying machines to make users aware of the copying limits under your licence with CAL. CAL suggests that every copy of any work made under the licence is marked as having been made under licence and also that the bibliographic details (including the name of the author and publisher) are shown on those copies.

### **Who is CAL?**

Copyright Agency Limited (CAL) is a not-for-profit company set up by Australian authors, journalists, visual artists, photographers and publishers to manage part of their copying and communication rights. CAL is owned by its members, membership is free and members give CAL a non-exclusive licence in respect of their works.

### **Code of Conduct**

CAL is a signatory to the Code of Conduct for Copyright Collecting Societies (the Code). It is designed to ensure that the rights of all members and licensees are clearly stated, and that the operations of collecting societies are transparent and accessible.

The Code includes requirements for the Complaints Handling and Dispute Resolution procedures that collecting societies must follow. The Code and these procedures are available from CAL's website and on request.