

[PL] New Regulation on Licensing Fees for Radio and Television Service Operators

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Poland's National Broadcasting Council issued a new regulation on licensing fees on 26 May 1995. This makes certain changes in the previous regulation on licensing fees for radio and television service operators of 3 June 1993, as amended on 19 May 1994.

The regulation is based on Section 40 of the Polish Broadcasting Act of 29 December 1992, which introduces a fee for broadcasting licences issued to private broadcasters. The fee itself is determined by the National Broadcasting Council in consultation with the Minister of Communications, with reference to the nature of the broadcasting body and its programme. It is separate from the fee charged for the use of broadcasting facilities, and the fee charged for use of a frequency.

Among other things, the new regulation increases the fees for landbased, satellite and cable broadcasting (Sections 4-7).

Regulation of the National Broadcasting Council of 26 May 1995 amending the Regulation concerning the fees for granting licences to provide radio and television programme services. Official Journal (Dziennik Ustaw) of 11 July 1995, Item 404.

