



PERFORMER ROLE CODES

To help calculate the share of revenues that individual performers should receive from use of a sound recording, a performer is assigned a contributor category and role code.

Role codes are split into a number of types – not all of which are eligible for payment. Each type is further sorted into different instrumental, vocal or studio personnel performances, so that it is easy to identify what each performer contributed to a sound recording.

Payable roles are generally ones which provide an audible contribution to the final sound recording.

Non-payable roles are generally studio activities which add no audible contribution to the final sound recording.

PAYABLE ROLES

There are a number of payable roles. These are broken down into groups depending on the activity or instrument being played.

See below all of the roles within each group.

BRASS

Role	Code
Alphorn	ALP
Alto Horn	ALH
Alto Trombone	ATR
Alto Valve Trombone	AVT
Bankia	BKA
Bass Trombone	BTR
Bass Trumpet	BTP
Bass Tuba	BTB
Brass Bass	BRB
Bugle	BUE
Cornet	CTO
Corno Da Caccia	CDC
Dung-Chen	DUN
Euphonium	EUP
Fanfare Trumpet	FFT
Flugelhorn	FLH
French Horn	FRH
Horn	HRN
Horn	HOR
Hunting Horn (Valved)	HHN
Piccolo Trumpet	PCT
Sackbut	SCK
Slide Trumpet	STP
Sousaphone	SOU
Tenor Horn	TNH
Trombone	TRM
Trompeta	TOA
Trumpet	TRU
Trumpet (Eflat)	TEF



Tuba	TUB
ValveTrombone	VTR

ELECTRONICS

Role	Code
Barrel Organ	BRO
Barrel Piano	BPN
Beat Box	BBX
DJ	D_J
DJ (Scratcher)	SCT
Emulator	EMU
Fairground Organ	FGO
Hurdy Gurdy	HUR
Musical Box	BOX
Ondioline	OND
Optigan	OPG
Polyphon	PPN
Programmer	PRG
Sampled Performer	SAP
Sampler	SAM
Symphony	SYM
Theremin	THR
Variophon	VOP
Vocoder	VCO

KEYBOARDS

Role	Code
Calliope	CPE
Celeste	CST
Chamber Organ	CBO
Chamberlin	CHB
Cinema Organ	CNO
Clavichord	CVC
Clavier	CLV
Clavinet	CVT
Dulceola	DCL
Electric Keyboard	EKB
Electric Organ	EOR
Electric Piano	EPF
Flute Organ	FLO
Fortepiano	FTP
Hammond Organ	HAO
Harmonium	HMN
Harpsichord	HRP
Harpsipiano	HPN
Lute-Harpsichord	LHC
Lyricon	LYR
Mellotron	MLN
Melodeon	MEL
Melodica	MLD
Muselar	MSR



Ngoma	NGO
Novachord	NVC
Ondes Martenot	ODM
Organ	ORG
Piano	PIA
Player Piano	PLP
Positive (Organ)	PTV
Regals	RGL
Spinet	SPI
Square Pianoforte	SPF
Stylophone	STY
Synthesizer	SYN
Tack Piano	TPF
Theatre Organ	THO
Toy Piano	TYP
Virginals	VGL
Wurlitzer Organ	WUO

GUITAR

Role	Code
Acoustic Bass Guitar	ABG
Acoustic Guitar	AGT
Archlute	ALU
Autoharp	AUH
Baglama	BLM
Bajo	BAJ
Bajo Sexto	BJS
Balalaika	BLK
Bandola	BDA
BandoljN	BDN
Bandora	BDR
Bandurria	BRR
Banjo	BNJ
Banjo-Dulcimer	BDU
Banjo-Mandolin	BAM
Banjulele	BJL
Bass Guitar	BGT
Bass Lute	BLE
Bass Tambura	BTM
Biwa	BWA
Bouzouki	BOU
Bouz_R	BZR
Cavaco	CVA
Cavaquinho	CAV
Charango	CHA
Chitarrone	CTR
Cifteli	CFT
Citole	CIT
Cittern	CTT
Colascione	CSC
Cuatro	CUA
Cumbus	CBU
Dan Nguyet	DNG



Danburo	DNB
Dobro	DOB
Dobro-Bass	DBA
Dombra	DOM
Dotara	DRA
Dutar	DUT
Electric Bass Guitar	EBG
Electric Guitar	EGT
Electric Sitar	EST
English Guitar	EGU
Five String Banjo	FSB
Fretless Bass Guitar	FBG
Fretless Guitar	FGT
Gimbri	GIM
Guitar Synthesizer	GTS
Guitarra	GUR
Guitarron	GTN
Guitsteel	GTL
Harp Guitar	HGT
Hawaiian Guitar	HAG
Hoddu	HOD
Huapanguera	HUA
Jarana	JAR
Jumbush	JMB
Kabosa	KBS

MISCELLANEOUS

Role	Code
Accompanist	ACM
Aeolian Harp	AEO
Aketse	AKE
Ambtara	AMO
Animal Sounds	AMN
Apongalahy	AGH
Babasa	BAB
Bambaro	BBR
Bass	BAS
Broom	BRM
Bullroarer	BLR
Chapman Stick	CHS
Cheng	CHG
Clog Dancer	CGD
Comb	COB
Dance	DAN
Daxaphone	DAX
Doumbaki	DOU
Doumbi	DBI
Droma	DMA
Flexatone	FLX
Foot Stamping	FST
Foot Tapping	FTA
Genggong	GEN
Glass Harmonica	GLH



Gorodao	GDO
Gu	GU_
Gunje	GNJ
Instruments	INS
Jews Harp	JWH
Kazoo	KAZ
Khulsan Khuur	KKH
Khuur	KHU
Lira Organizzatai	LIO
Murcang	MCG
Ngomi	NGM
One-Man Band	OMB
Pipe And Tabor	PAT
Sal	SAL
Saw	SAW
Siren	SIR
Sound Effects	EFX
Souvliari	SOL
Steam Locomotive Sounds	SLS
Step Dancer	STE
Tap Dancer	TDA
Tefi	TFI
Tenor	TEN
Unidentified Payable Role	UPR
Violarina	VLR
Whip	WHP
Whistling	WHG

PERCUSSION

Role	Code
Adufe	ADF
African Congo Drums	AKD
Afuche	AFU
Agogo	AGG
Angklung	AKL
Apentemma	APT
Asiko	ASK
Atchere	ACH
Balafon	BLF
Bass Drum	BSD
Bass Marimba	BMA
Bata	BAT
Bell Tree	BLT
Bells	BEL
Bembe	BMB
Bendir	BEN
Bo (Bell)	BOB
Bo (Cymbals)	BOC
Bo ?	BO_
Bodhr N	BDH
Body Percussion	BPE
Bombo (Bass Drum)	BBD
Bombo (Frame Drum)	BBF



Bombo ?	BBO
Bones	BNS
Bongos	BNG
Cabasa	CBS
Caixa	CXA
Caja	CJA
Cajon	CJN
Calabash	CBH
Campana	CAM
Carillon	CRL
Castanets	CAS
Caxixi	CXI
Ceng Ceng	CCE
Changgo	CGG
Chap Lek	CHK
Chimes	CHM
Chinese Drum	CHD
Ching (Cymbals)	CHI
Chocalho	CLH
Clappers	CPS
Clapping	CLP
Claves	CLS
Congas	COA
Congos	COO
Cowbell	COW
Crotales	CTL
Cuica	CUI
Cymbals	CYM
Daf	DAF
Daire	DAI
Damaru	DAU
Darabukka	DRB
Davul	DVL
Def	DEF
Dhol	DHL
Dholak	DHK
Di (Slit Drum)	DIS
Di ?	DI_
Diaph	DFF
Djembe	DJM
Dohol	DOH
Doira	DOI
Donno	DON
Dril-Bu	DRI
Drum	DRM
Drum Machine	DMM
Drums	DRU
Duff	DUF
Duggi	DUG
Dumbelek	DBK
Dumbuks	DUM
Dundun	DDN
Electronic Drums	EDS
Electronic Organ	ENO
Electronic Percussion	EPE
Electronic Vibraphone	EVB



Finger Clicks	FNL
Finger Cymbals	FNC
Frame Drum	FDM
Gambang	GBN
Gamelan	GAM
Ganga	GAN
Gangsa	GGG
Gankogui	GKG
Ganza	GZA
Gbedu	GBD
Gender	GNR
Ghara	GHR
Ghatam	GHA
Ghati	GHI
Gini	GIN
Glockenspiel	GKS
Gong	GON
Gourd Rattle	GRD
Grantang	GRG
Griot	GRI
Gua'chara	GCA
Guayo	GUA
Gubgubi	GUB
Gudugudu	GUD
Guiro	GUI
Gung	GUG
Hammer	HAM
Hand Bells	HBE
Hi-Hat	HHT
Hosho	HOS
Hudukka	HDK
Jawan	JWA
Jegogan	JGG
Jublag	JUB
Jug	JUG
Kaiamba Rambo	KRM
Kalimba	KAL
Kanjira	KNJ
Kartal	CTL
Kelenang	KLN
Kelenang	KEL
Kempul	KMP
Kempur	KPR
Kendang	KND
Kenong	KOG
Kenyir	KYI
Ketuk	KTK
Khol	KHO
Kkwaengwari	KKW
Klong	KLO
Klong Khaek	KLK
Kong Wong Yai	KWY
Korintsana	KTS
Lamba	LBA
Lamellaphone	LLL
Log Drum	LGD



Lokole	LOK
Lukeme	LUK
Madal	MDL
Maddalam	MDD
Manjira	MJR
Manjur	MJU
Maracas	MRC
Marimba	MAR
Marimbula	MRM
Mbira	MBA
Metallophone	MTP
Mirwas	MRW
Mong	MNG
Morrisette	MRT
Mrdanga	MRD
Nakers	NAK
Nal (Drum)	NAL
Nao	NAO
Naqqara	NAQ
Nattuva Talam	NTT
Okonkole	OKK
Pakhavaj	PAK
Palmas	PMS
Pandeiro	PDO
Pandereta	PDT
Pano	PAN
Pujador	PJD
Rain Stick	RST
Ranat Ek	RNE
Ranat Thum	RNT
Rattle	RTT
Reco-Reco	RRC
Repicador	RPC
Repique	RPQ
Reyong	RYO
Riqq	RQQ
Rnga	RNG
Rol-Mo	RLM
Rubboard	RBD
Sabaro	SAB
Sanza	SZA
Saron	SRO
Scraper	SCR
Sekere	SEK
Shaker	SHK
Sil-Snyan	SIL
Slentem	SLM
Snare Drum	SDM
Spoons	SPO
Steel Drum	SDR
Surdu	SRD
Tabal	TBA
Tabla	TAB
Tabor	TOR
Taiko	TAI
Tal	TAL



Talking Drum	TDM
Tam Tam	TMT
Tama	TMA
Tambora	TBO
Tamborim	TMM
Tambourine	TBR
Tambur (Drum)	TAU
Tambur (Gong)	TMU
Tapan	TPN
Tar	TAR
Tar (Frame Drum)	TAF
Tavil	TAV
Temple Block	TPB
Tibetan Bowls	TBW
Timbal	TIM
Timbales	TBL
Timpani	TMP
Tom-Tom	TTM
Tombak	TMB
Tongtong	TTG
Toumbas	TBS
Traps	TPA
Triangle	TGL
Tubular Bells	TBB
Tumba (Goblet Drum)	TUA
Tumbadora	TUM
Txalaparta	TXA
Udu	UDU
Untuned Percussion	UPE
Vibra-Slap	VBR
Vibraphone	VIB
Washboard	WSB
Wind Chimes	WCH
Wobble Board	WOB
Woodblock	WDB
Xylophone	XYL
Xylorimba	XYR
Yunluo	YUN
Zarb	ZAR
Zil	ZIL
Zirbaghalia	ZIR

STRING INSTRUMENTS

Role	Code
Arpeggione	APE
Bandura	BRA
Bass Viol	BVL
Cello	CEL
Chinese Harp	CHH
Cimbalom	CBM
Double Bass	DBB
Dulcimer	DUL
Electric Appalachian Dulcimer	EAD



Electric Cello	EVC
Electric Fiddle	EFI
Electric Harp	EHR
Electric Upright Bass	EUB
Electric Viola	EVA
Electric Violin	EVI
Electronic Cello	ECE
Electronic Violin	EVN
Fiddle	FID
Hammered Dulcimer	HAD
Harp	HAR
Imitation Bass	IMB
Indian Harp	INH
Irish Harp	IRH
Koto	KOT
Lyre	LRE
Omnichord	OMN
Santur	SNT
Tea Chest Bass	TCB
Tenor Viol	TVL
Tiompan	TOP
Treble Viol	TVI
Triple Harp	THP
Viol	VOL
Viola	VIA
Viola Bastarda	VLB
Viola DaGamba	VDG
Viola D`Amore	VDA
Violin	VIO
Violino Piccolo	VNP
Violoncello Piccolo	VCP
Violone	VNE
Zither	ZIT

VOCALS

Role	Code
Actor	ACT
Alto (Voice)	ALT
Animal Sounds Impersonator	ANI
Announcer	ANN
Backing Vocals	BVC
Baritone (Voice)	BRT
Bass-Baritone (Voice)	BBT
Bass (Voice)	BVO
Beat Box (Vocal)	BTX
Caller	CAL
Cantor	CNR
Castrato (Voice)	CAT
Chanting	CHT
Comedian	CMD
Commentator	CMT
Contralto (Voice)	CNT
Counter-Tenor (Voice)	CTN



Dj (Spoken Word)	DJS
Dj (Toaster)	TST
Falsetto (Voice)	FLS
Haute-Contre (Voice)	HTC
Humming	HMM
Impersonator	IPE
Instructor	IST
Interviewee	IVE
Mc	M_C
Mezzo-Contralto (Voice)	MZC
Mezzo-Soprano (Voice)	MZS
Minister	MIN
Mouth Music	MMU
Narrator	NAR
Poetry Reader	POE
Preacher	PRE
Presenter	PRT
Rapper	RPR
Reciter	RCR
Reporter	REP
Shouting	SHO
Soprano (Voice)	SOP
Speech	SPE
Spoken Word	SPW
Storyteller	STO
Tenor (Voice)	TVO
Treble (Voice)	TRE
Vocal Effects	VFX
Worship Leader	WOR
Yodelling	YOD

WIND INSTRUMENTS

Role	Code
Accordion	ACC
Algaita	AGA
Algoja	ALG
Alto Clarinet	ALC
Alto Crumhorn	ACR
Alto Flute	ALF
Alto Recorder	ARE
Alto Saxophone	ASX
Anatara	AAA
Andean Flute	AFL
Anglo-Concertina	ANG
Bagpipes	BAG
Baritone Saxophone	BRS
Baritone (Saxhorn)	BTN
Bass Accordion	BAC
Bass Clarinet	BSC
Bass Concertina	BCT
Bass Crumhorn	BCR
Bass Dulcian	BDC
Bass Flute	BSF



Bass Recorder	BRC
Bass Saxophone	BSX
Basset Clarinet	BTC
Basset Horn	BSH
Bassoon	BSS
Bombarde	BOM
Border Pipes	BRP
Bottle	BTT
Button Accordion	BTA
C Melody Saxophone	CMS
Chamber Pipes	CBP
Chinese Flute	CNF
Clarinet	CLA
Clarinet (C)	CLC
Clarinet (E Flat)	CLE
Concertina	CRT
Contrabass Clarinet	CTC
Contrabass Flute	CBF
Contrabass Saxophone	CSX
Cor Anglais	CAN
Didjeridu	DID
Dilli Tuiduk	DTD
Doneli	DNL
Double Bassoon	DBS
Double Clarinet	DCT
Double Flute	DFL
Duduk	DUD
Dulcian	DCN
Electric Accordion	EAC
Electronic Wind Instrument	EWI
Electonium	ELN
English Bagpipes	ENB
English Concertina	ENC
English Horn	ENH
Fife	FIF
Flute	FLU
French Bagpipes	FRB
Harmonica	HRM
Heckelphone	HKP
Highland Bagpipes	HPI
Japanese Wooden Flute	JWF
Lakota Flute	LAF
Low Whistle	LWH
Lowland Pipes	LLP
Manzello	MZL
Mouth Bow	MBW
Mouth Organ	MRG
Northumbrian Small Pipes	NSP
Oboe	OBO
Oboe D'amore	OBD
Oboe Dacaccia	ODC
Ocarina	OCA
Panpipes	PPP
Piano Accordion	PIN
Piccolo	PIC
Pipes	PIP



Recorder	REC
Reeds	RDS
Saxello	SLO
Saxophone	SAX
Scottish Small Pipes	SSP
Shakuhachi	SHH
Shuttle Pipes	SHP
Sopranino Clarinet	SCL
Sopranino Recorder	SRE
Sopranino Saxophone	SIS
Soprano Crumhorn	SCM
Soprano Sax (C)	SSC
Soprano Saxophone	SSX
Swanee Whistle	SWH
Tenor Recorder	TER
Tenor Sarrusophone	TSA
Tenor Saxophone	TSX
Tin Whistle	TIN
Treble Flute	TFL
Treble Recorder	TRR
Trompetica China	TRC
Uilleann Pipes	UIL
Whistle	WHI
Wooden Flute	WFL
Woodwind	WWD
Xiao	XIA

NON-PAYABLE ROLES

Non-payable roles are those which do not add an audible contribution to the final sound recording. These roles are therefore not eligible for payment.

See below for an example of these roles.

Role	Code
Arranger	ARR
DJ (Mixer)	DJX
Engineer	ENG
Engineer (Vocal)	ENV
Executive Producer	EPR
Executive Remaster Producer	ERP
Mixer	MIX
Producer	PRD
Producer (Rhythm track)	PRR
Producer (Vocal)	PRV
Remaster Engineer	RME
Remaster Producer	RMP
Remix Engineer	REN
Remixer	REM
Sound Director	SDD



Unidentified	UNI
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CLAIMS BY STUDIO PRODUCERS

A studio producer will be deemed to have performed on a sound recording if:

- (i) they contributed an audible contribution (such as playing an instrument or singing); or
- (ii) they conducted or musically directed another performer's live performance as it was being recorded (a so-called "Performing Producer"). For the avoidance of doubt, alterations made to the track after the recording has been made, such as edits or remixes, will not be deemed to be performances (unless these new versions involve new audible performances as in (i)).

Please see separate document for more details on studio producers.