

# Showing a Movie in the MSC



## Copyright Guidelines for Showing Movies, DVDs and Videos

(Adapted from MSC Copyright Guidelines for Showing Movies, DVDs and Videos, See the Copyright Guidelines for Showing Movies, DVDs and Videos)

When you show a DVD, video, or video recording, you are showing a public performance of the copyrighted work. This is true even if you are showing it in your home or in a private setting. Showing a movie, DVD, or video recording in a public setting is a public performance of the copyrighted work.

### First, is it a "public performance"?

The Copyright Act defines a public performance as a performance that is transmitted to a place where one or more persons are gathered, or to any number of places connected by a common network, for the direct or indirect benefit, enjoyment, or amusement of the audience.

**If so, is there an applicable exception to the license requirement?**

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