

## WORKING MUSICIANS ALLIANCE Template

### Independent Performance Agreement

#### PURPOSE OF THIS AGREEMENT Template

This Independent Performance Agreement is intended to help artists, venues, promoters, event organizers, and talent buyers clearly document the terms of a live performance before the event takes place.

This agreement is provided as an educational and operational resource and does not constitute legal advice. Users are encouraged to review, modify, and expand this agreement as necessary for their specific situation. This template includes recommended notation for verifiable agreement on terms that can be referenced when needed when agreed terms aren't met by either party.

A signed agreement holds both parties accountable.

If an item is important, it should be written clearly.

If it is written clearly, it should be acknowledged.

If it is acknowledged, it should be signed.

Both parties are encouraged to initial important sections of this agreement to confirm mutual understanding.

#### SECTION 1 – EVENT INFORMATION

Event Name:

Event Date:

Venue Name:

Venue Address:

Venue Representative:

Venue Phone / Email:

Artist / Band Name:

Artist Representative:

Artist Phone / Email:

#### SECTION 2 – PERFORMANCE DETAILS

Performance Start Time:

Performance End Time:

Number of Sets:

Set Length(s):

Load-In Time:

Soundcheck Time:

Curfew:

Age Restrictions:

Opening / Supporting Acts:

Backline Provided By Venue:

Additional Performance Notes:

Venue Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Artist Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

### SECTION 3 – COMPENSATION TERMS

#### Compensation Structure

- Flat Guarantee
- Door Split
- Guarantee vs Percentage
- Buyout
- Other:

Guarantee Amount:

Door Split Terms:

Deposit Amount (if applicable):

Deposit Due Date:

Remaining Payment Amount:

Payment Method:

Payment Timing:

Settlement Procedure Notes:

#### IMPORTANT:

Any verbal agreements, text messages, or side arrangements not documented within this agreement may be difficult to enforce later.

Both parties are encouraged to retain signed copies of this agreement.

Venue Initials: \_\_\_\_\_  
Artist Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

#### SECTION 4 — MERCHANDISE

Is Artist Merchandise Permitted?

- Yes
- No

Merchandise Percentage Retained By Venue (if applicable):

Merchandise Table Provided:

- Yes
- No

Merchandise Staffing Responsibility:

Additional Merchandise Notes:

Venue Initials: \_\_\_\_\_  
Artist Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

#### SECTION 5 — HOSPITALITY

Venue Hospitality

- Water
- Meal
- Drink Tickets
- Parking
- Green Room Access
- Lodging
- Other:

Hospitality Notes:

Venue Initials: \_\_\_\_\_  
Artist Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

#### SECTION 6 — PROMOTION & MARKETING

Venue Promotion Responsibilities:

Artist Promotion Responsibilities:

Ticketing Information:

Approved Promotional Materials:

Social Media / Advertising Notes:

Venue Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Artist Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION 7 – RECORDING & STREAMING

Audio Recording Permitted?

Yes

No

Video Recording Permitted?

Yes

No

Livestreaming Permitted?

Yes

No

Ownership / Usage Notes:

Venue Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Artist Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION 8 – CANCELLATION TERMS

Cancellation Notice Requirements:

Deposit Refund Terms:

Emergency / Illness Procedures:

Force Majeure Considerations:

Neither party shall be considered in breach of this agreement due to events outside reasonable control including severe weather, natural disasters, government restrictions, venue emergencies, or other major unforeseen circumstances.

Additional Cancellation Notes:

Venue Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Artist Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION 9 – ADDITIONAL TERMS

Written here:

Venue Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Artist Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION 10 – SIGNATURES

By signing below, both parties acknowledge that they have reviewed, discussed, and agreed to the terms outlined within this agreement.

### VENUE / PROMOTER / EVENT ORGANIZER

Printed Name:

Title / Position:

Signature:

Date:

### ARTIST / BAND REPRESENTATIVE

Printed Name:

Title / Position:

Signature:

Date:

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

This template is provided by Working Musicians Alliance as an educational and operational resource intended to encourage clearer communication and stronger professional standards throughout the live performance industry.

Users are encouraged to adapt this agreement as necessary for their particular situation and to consult qualified legal counsel for advanced contractual matters, large financial obligations, touring agreements, exclusivity arrangements, or other specialized legal concerns.

Clear communication helps protect everyone involved.

Professional preparation reduces misunderstandings.

Written agreements help establish accountability for both artists and venues alike.