

# hiring a dj?

## Here are some suggestions to assist you in your selection

- Does the DJ offer a written agreement stating when they will start and finish performing and the time they will arrive on site to set up?
- If the music is provided by computer, MP3 or burned CDs, is the DJ licensed through CONNECT or are they a member of a licensed DJ Association?
- Is there a “back-up” DJ and equipment if there is a last minute problem?
- Is the DJ insured?
- Have you met the DJ who will actually be performing at your event prior to its date?

Connect Music Licensing is a collective representing the owners of the copyright in sound recordings and music videos and administers licensing in Canada on their behalf. CONNECT has over 2000 members, including all of the multi-national and major independent record companies who hold the exclusive copyright interest in the vast majority of sound recordings produced and/or distributed in Canada.

Unlicensed copying of sound recordings or music videos for use other than private listening is an infringement of Canadian copyright law and may be subject to legal prosecution.

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# you should know

[www.connectmusic.ca](http://www.connectmusic.ca)

## **You or your DJ need a CONNECT licence if:**

- You are using sound recordings copied onto on a computer hard drive, MP3 type device, CD-Rs or cassettes.

## **You or your DJ do not need a CONNECT licence if:**

- You are playing your music from the original LP/cassette/CD purchased at a retail store.
- You are using CDs or DVDs you have leased from a CONNECT licensed music supply service.

## **Single Event licences are available**

If you are not hiring a DJ but you are using music copied onto a computer hard drive, iPod or any MP3 type device, CDRs, cassettes or mini-discs at your event, contact CONNECT for a **one time licence** (\$50 + tax).

## **CD-Rs as give-aways**

It is unlawful to create CDs by copying music to use as a give-away without the permission of the owner of the copyright of that music.

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