

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. This is true even if you are showing it in your home or in a private setting. You must obtain permission from the copyright owner to show a public performance of a copyrighted work.

First, is it a "public performance"?

The answer is yes if you are showing the work to a group of people in a public place. This includes showing a movie in a classroom, a library, a community center, or a public performance space. It also includes showing a movie in a private home if the audience is not limited to family and friends.

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

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