



FORMAT FORM – OFCOM

Station Name	CUILLIN FM
Licence Area	Skye and Lochalsh
Frequencies	106.2 and 102.7 MHz
Online	http://www.icecast.commedia.org/cuillinfm.mp3
Hours of Broadcast	24 hours a day – At least 10.5 hours per day locally including 1.5 hour Breakfast Show and 2.5 hour Breakfast Show Friday

DEFINITIONS

Speech	excludes advertising, trails, sponsor credits and the like and is calculated over a specific period to be approx 25% of daytime output and involve information relevant to, and likely to be appreciated by, listeners in the area and/or likely to be supportive of community links.
Music	Music policy strives to include Gaelic, Scottish traditional, Celtic, Scottish dance, folk, jazz, world, classical, spiritual, country, big band, modern, rock and popular music, although no one genre should make up more than 40% of the music output
Peak Times	refers to weekday breakfast and afternoon drive output, and weekend late breakfast
Daytime	between the hours of 0730 and 1900 weekdays and 0900 to 1400 weekends
Locally Made	refers to output produced and presented within the licence area and includes peak time. The station reflects the particular culture of the area and significant prominence is given to broadcasting in Gaelic. At least 2 hours each week of Gaelic language programmes made locally and further Gaelic output may be presented that is produced by other local Scottish station. No programmes are broadcast which simulcast or repeat and other ILR programmes produced and presented in Cuillin FM's transmission area.
Character of Service	A Community Led Station for Skye and Lochalsh



CUILLIN FM – PUBLIC FILE

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In accordance with Ofcom, the independent regulator and competition authority for the UK communications industries, with responsibilities across television, radio, telecommunications and wireless communications services, Cuillin FM are happy to publish a public file on their broadcasting policies:

NEWS BULLETIN SCHEDULES

Cuillin FM broadcasts National News reports via their sustaining service on the hour, with the exceptions of 7pm through to and including 11pm. Local News is broadcast on the Breakfast and Dol Dhachaigh shows daily straight after the national news. Local news is collated through the assistance of local communities and resources such as newspaper media.

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

A sample programme schedule is available on the website (www.cuillinfm.co.uk) and can be obtained at any time by calling the station on 01478 611797 and either leaving your details or calling in and picking up a copy. Programme schedules are subject to change as we are a community radio station relying on volunteer presenters. Where possible, these changes are announced in advance of the changed programme(s).

Cuillin FM broadcasts live 80hours a week and the remainder of the broadcasting is provided through a national sustaining service

The station has a duty to provide 3 hours of Gaelic programming per week but we aim to provide at least 6 hours with this increasing in the near future.

It is also part of Cuillin FM's remit to provide programming for and including participation from local communities. Programmes such as Breakfast Shows, Dol Dhachaigh and Strupag take this into consideration but we aim to increase this.

We also have outside broadcasting facilities for charity, community event coverage, such as The Highland Games, Piping Festivals, Battle of the Bands, etc. Every year we hold a special extended Breakfast Show to raise monies for MacMillan Cancer Relief.

STATION PLAYLIST

It is Cuillin FM's intention to cover all types of music from Rock to Classical, including local musicians, traditional music, easy listening, jazz, comedy, etc. We wish to appeal to all ages from the local community who use Cuillin FM.

PERSONNEL

Cuillin Fm is registered as Cuillins FM and is a company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital.

Board details:

Chairman:	Hector Cormack
Director:	John Grundy
Director:	Andy Mitchell
Director:	Carole Horton
Director:	Shona Campbell
Director:	Nick Wakeham
Director:	Kay Austin

Secretary:	Shona Campbell
Treasurer:	Inga Bonk

Advertising:	Drew Millar
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Programme Controller:	Jim Campbell
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Head of Music:	Nick Wakeham
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All presenters and members of Board, etc are volunteers and are not paid for their services. Advertising is paid through commission of sales.

To date the station has been funded through National Lottery, Leader+, SALE, Highland Council but from 2009 it will be self-sustaining through advertising revenue.

CONTACT DETAILS

Anyone can contact the station through the office number 01478 611797 or the studio number 01478 611234. First contact regarding technical matters or any questions to do with the running of the station should be made to Andy Mitchell on the office number. You can also contact the studio via email on admin@cuillinfm.co.uk or any other email addresses on the website.

HOW TO COMPLAIN

If you should have any reason to complain about any aspect of Cuillin FM, please contact the Chairman, in the first instance, on 01478 611797 or address your complaint to the Chairman and send it to Cuillin FM, Stormyhill, Portree, Isle of Skye IV51 9DY. If you are still not satisfied with the outcome, please contact Ofcom directly at www.ofcom.org.uk/complain.