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Commercial Radio Licensing Plan 2024 - 2025

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Coimisiún na Meán (“the Commission”), as the body responsible for the regulation of broadcasting and other media in Ireland, is required under the Broadcasting Act 2009 as amended to prepare a strategy for the provision of broadcasting services in Ireland. The Commission's *Broadcasting Services Strategy* outlines its approach to the licensing of broadcasting services in the State (in addition to those provided by RTÉ and TG4) and outlines the Commission's vision for the optimum mix of services.

Pursuant to its statutory obligation to produce plans regarding the number, nature and scope of broadcasting contracts that it proposes to enter into, the Commission presents its commercial radio licensing plan on the FM band for 2024 and 2025.

The local and regional radio services included in this plan are listed in the table below.

| Franchise area | Station Type | Contractor | Station Name | Contract Expiry |
|--|---|--|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Dublin City and County | Music-driven local service for the 15-34 age group | Bauer Audio Ireland Limited, acting as a general partner of Bauer Audio Ireland LP | Spin 103.8 | 05/04/2025 |
| Counties Kilkenny and Carlow | Broad-format local service | C.K. Broadcasting Limited | KCLR 96FM | 21/04/2025 |
| County Kerry | Broad-format local service | Raidió Chiarraí Teoranta | Radio Kerry | 09/04/2025 |
| South East Region - Waterford City and County, South Tipperary and Counties Carlow, Kilkenny and Wexford | Music-driven regional service for the 15-34 age group | WKW FM Limited | Beat 102-103 | 30/03/2025 |
| North Donegal | Broad-format local service | Donegal Highland Radio Limited | Highland Radio | 30/03/2025 |
| Counties Laois, Offaly and Westmeath | Broad-format local service | Midlands Community Radio Services Limited | Midlands 103 | 30/03/2025 |
| County Sligo, North Leitrim and South Donegal | Broad-format local service | North West Broadcasting Limited | Ocean FM | 30/03/2025 |
| Dublin City and County | Niche music-driven local service | Star Broadcasting Limited | Sunshine 106.8 | 30/03/2025 |
| Cork City and County | 1) Music-driven local service for the 25 - 44 age group ¹ 2) Broad-format local service | County Media Limited | 1) Cork's 96 FM 2) C103 | 30/04/2025 |

¹ These services are operated under one sound broadcasting contract.