

Nation Radio Scotland Public File 2.0 Updated March 2020



This document has been updated in light of measures taken in the current UK emergency.

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Each local commercial station in the UK has obligations with regard to its programmes, including its music and local content. These obligations are set out in the station Format which forms part of this station's Public File.

The Public File is also available in hard copy by post upon request by any member of the public, and serves as one indicator of each station's output. Comment on the contents of the Public File should be made to the station or to the industry regulator, Ofcom.

The services we operate

Nation Radio Scotland Limited holds an analogue licence to transmit Nation Radio Scotland across West Central Scotland. This public file is required under this licence.

The service also transmits online and on the Glasgow Trial DAB multiplex.

News Bulletin schedule

What our format says...

At least hourly during daytime weekdays and peak-time weekends. At other times UK-wide, nations and international news should feature.

What we deliver....

We deliver a news bulletin covering World, UK, National and local news (for West Central Scotland, Helensburgh and Dumbarton) to the following schedule:

Weekdays
0600 to 1900 inclusive every hour

Weekends
Bulletins – 0800-1200 inclusive every hour

We therefore exceed the requirement of the format in relation to local news delivery.

Recent news stories covered on air

Examples of recent news stories covered on air appear on our website nationradio.scot.

The news and content team

News resourcing across the group is supplemented by members of the programming and commercial teams based within the area who are also able to collect content as appropriate.

Nation Broadcasting's news is compiled utilising journalistic support based in Leeds.

To contact the news team email news@nationradio.scot

The programme schedule

The programme schedule is available on the website <http://www.nationradio.scot>

The average number of hours of automated programming within weekday daytimes and within daytimes on Saturdays and Sundays

At Nation Radio we make full use of broadcast playout technology in order to deliver our programmes and free up presentation staff to produce content.

All programming is automated under the definition used by Ofcom.

Whilst our programming is automated under the definition published by Ofcom; relevant programme links (especially at peaktimes) are typically pre-recorded on the day of transmission shortly before transmission.

The amount of local programming per day produced by the station

**At least 16 hours per day during daytime weekdays (must include breakfast).
At least 12 hours daytime Saturdays and Sundays.**

All presented programming on Nation Radio is delivered by main presenters located within the station's licensed area at the time of transmission.

Some programming items such as news and travel may be compiled by presenters physically located outside of the station's licensed area.

Shared programming and content

As an emergency measure, Nation Radio Scotland's programming is currently shared with Your Radio (Helensburgh) and Your Radio (Dumbarton). This arrangement commenced on 1 April 2020 and is under review.

Ofcom localness guidelines

Ofcom has published guidelines for localness on stations such as Nation Radio. You can view these at the Ofcom website www.ofcom.org.uk/radio/ifi/rbl/car/localness

Station contact details

Contact details for Nation Radio are available on the home page our website www.nationradio.scot

Events, charity support and coverage

Our presentation team regularly mention events and charities and can be contacted by emailing studio@nationradio.scot

Recent programme or news highlights

Our website is regularly updated with major programme features, highlights and news items and can be accessed at nationradio.scot

Any other issues or areas of interest likely to impact on localness

None

The station playlist

The station website shows the last songs played on the station. To receive a copy of the current station playlist, please contact the Programme Controller.

neil.greenslade@nationbroadcasting.com

The station format

Nation Radio's format can be viewed at Ofcom's website – select the page for Nation Radio Scotland from this page:

<http://www.ofcom.org.uk/static/radiolicensing/html/radio-stations/analogue/analogue-main.htm>

How to complain to the station or Ofcom

If you need to complain to the station:

Martin Mumford, Managing Director, Nation Radio Scotland, St Hilary Transmitter, nr St Hilary, COWBRIDGE. CF71 7DP.

You can also telephone 0141 811 0470 and ask for the Managing Director or email martin.mumford@nationbroadcasting.com

If you wish to take your complaint further or if you wish to complain to the regulator you can visit the Ofcom website:

<http://consumers.ofcom.org.uk/complain/>

Contacting the studios – use of premium rate numbers

Station contact details are on the station website <http://www.nationradio.scot>

We do not use premium rate numbers to contact the studio by telephone or SMS.

We are investigating the introduction of premium rate SMS competitions, details of our compliance in this area would be published on any associated competition page and highlighted on air.

Martin Mumford

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1.0 Test transmission launch version – August 2018