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APPROVAL OF THE NEW REGULATION OF THE AUDIOVISUAL AND CINEMA LAW



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By Decree no. 57/2024, of 31 July, the Regulation of the Audiovisual and Cinema Law was approved, (hereinafter referred to as “the New Regulation”), which came into effect on September 29th, 2024. The New Regulation establishes the application mechanisms of the Audiovisual and Cinema Law. Through this New Regulation, Decree No. 41/2017, of 4 August, was revoked, with the aim of adapting the regulations to the current reality.

It is noteworthy that the New Regulation establishes the Instituto Nacional das Indústrias Culturais e Criativas - INICC IP as the entity responsible for licensing audiovisual and cinema activities, as a result of what was established by Decree No. 23/2019, of 28 March, which created INICC IP and transferred all the powers of the Instituto Nacional do Livro e do Disco (INLD) and the Instituto Nacional do Audiovisual e Cinema (INAC) to that entity.

Additionally, the following changes are worth noting:

- i.** Extension of the validity period of the license from 3 (three) years to 5 (five) years, renewable.
- ii.** Increase in the requirements to be observed for the purpose of requesting authorization for activities that require it.
- iii.** The New Regulation erased the section referring to the need to register the work with the competent authority.
- iv.** The New Regulation also clarifies that the exercise of the activity of distributing audiovisual and cinematographic works through licensing is equally applicable to television distributors, on digital platforms, in cinemas and in the national market.
- v.** Reduction in transfer rates for image portions of the file (per second) to national and foreign producers; and
- vi.** Exemption from fees for filming video clips and research or pre-production of national filming.



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