



Radio Tacoma KTAH 101.9 FM
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Programmers' Guidelines

Programming and having a show is a privilege given to applicants who agree to follow the policies and guidelines.

The producers must be familiar with the material that they plan to air and must be fully conversant with Radio Tacoma's policy on coarse language in broadcast material as described in these guidelines.

The on-air privileges of any Radio Tacoma producer may be suspended and/or terminated, due to one or more of the reasons relating to breaches of Radio Tacoma rules as listed below:

1. I will uphold the mission of Radio Tacoma. (See below)
2. I understand that the musical tastes and opinions of members may be different from my own and will undertake to respect the rights of members to hold their own opinions.
3. I agree to attend 1-4 Training Sessions per year, as is deemed necessary by Radio Tacoma, on Broadcasting Techniques and Standards, in order to keep me 'current' with Broadcasting Equipment, Policies, and Practices.
4. I will obey the legal and station requirements of being a presenter:
 - a. There will be no personal attacks on private individuals, and I will not make personal comments on air about any member or program
 - b. No slanderous* statements will be made.
 - c. There will be no offensive* material broadcast, in keeping with the current policy document of the station, and guidelines of the FCC.
 - d. There will be no advertising during my program, unless an authorized underwriter announcement# is OK'd by the Programming Committee.
 - e. I will not glorify suicide or recommend it as a solution to life's problems.

The following situations are not acceptable, and are considered to be serious breaches of this Agreement such as:

5. Use of profane* language or derogatory remarks concerning race, nationality, ethnic background, sex, religion, sexual preference and mental/physical conditions. Suitability for airing will be determined by the programming director on a case by case basis.
6. Glorifying descriptions of sex acts, vivid descriptions of crimes involving rape, mayhem, child abuse, assaults, or vivid descriptions of accidents involving serious injury or death.
7. Accepting, or attempting to secure, any conditions, favors, goods, money or material from outside interests, in exchange for 'on-air' promotions or endorsements.
8. I will abide by the underwriting rules# as outlined by the FCC. This includes no call to action, no prices mentioned and no comparisons.
9. We do not currently have an ASCAP, BMI or SEASC music license. We can only broadcast music that is not under their jurisdiction.

I understand these rules and conditions and agree to abide by the Programmers Contractual Agreement as set out above. I understand that disciplinary action can or will be taken against me for breaches of the agreement. This includes, but is not limited to, suspension or termination.

Programmer's Name (print)_____

Programmer's Signature_____

Programming Director's Name (print)_____

Programming Director's Signature _____

Date _____

* as determined by the Programming Director

See Underwriting Guidelines

Mission Statement

Radio Tacoma is a low-power FM public access radio station developed to serve Tacoma, Washington, to provide our community with the opportunity for participatory democracy and to provide a voice for progressive groups, union members, minority groups and local talent that might otherwise not get heard.