

ANALOGUE COMMERCIAL RADIO STATION FORMAT

Service name

Q106/7 FM

Licence number	AL275
Licensed area	Mid-Ulster area
MCA population	74,471
Frequency	106 MHz

Character of Service

A LOCALLY-ORIENTED BROAD MUSIC STATION FOR THE MID-ULSTER AREA, WITH A STRONG COMMITMENT TO LOCAL NEWS AND INFORMATION.	
Service duration	24 hours
Locally-made programming	<p><i>Studio location:</i> Locally-made programming must be produced within the licensed areas of Ballymena (AL301), Belfast (AL042), Coleraine (AL254), Cookstown (AL275), Londonderry (AL155), Newry (AL316) or Omagh and Enniskillen (AL270).</p> <p><i>Locally-made hours:</i> At least 7 hours a day during daytime weekdays (must include breakfast). At least 4 hours daytime Saturdays and Sundays.</p> <p><i>Programme sharing:</i> All programmes may be shared between the Ballymena licence (AL301), the Belfast licence (AL042), the Coleraine licence (AL254), the Cookstown licence (AL275), the Londonderry licence (AL155), the Newry licence (AL316) and the Omagh and Enniskillen licence (AL270), subject to satisfying the character of service requirements above.</p>
Local news	At least hourly during daytime weekdays and peak-time weekends. At other times, news covering Northern Ireland plus UK-wide and international news should feature.

Definitions

Speech	Excludes advertising, programme/promotional trails & sponsor credits
Peak-time	Weekday breakfast and drive-time, and weekend late breakfast
Daytime	06.00 to 19.00 weekdays and weekends

Notes: This Format should be read in conjunction with Ofcom's published Localness Guidelines

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