

## Israel

Name of Regulatory Authority : The Council for Cable TV and Satellite Broadcasting  
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### Basis for operation

Legal framework : The Communication Act 1982  
General remit :  TV  radio  networks and infrastructures  
 others (please specify)

Funding mechanisms :  licence fee  industry fee  state budget  
 mixed funding (please specify):  
 other (please specify):

### Composition

Number of members: 13 Term of office: 4 years Re-election possible:   
Proposal of members: *6 government's representative, employed by the state of Israel, of which:*

- *1 member recommended by the minister of justice.*
- *1 member recommended by the minister of finance.*
- *1 member recommended by the minister of education and culture.*
- *3 members recommend by the minister of communication.*

*7 public representatives, of which:*

- *2 members recommend by the union of local authorities.*
- *2 members - representing the consumers.*
- *2 members - representing educational and cultural unions.*
- *1 member - representing the artists and creators in Israel.*

Appointment of members: *The minister of communication recommends the members to the government and the government may approve the recommendations.*

Revocation of mandate possible:  based on: *possible reasons for revocation of the mandate:*

- Resignation by the member.
- The member is unable to fulfil his duties.
- The member was absent from 3 consecutive council's meetings or from one third of the annual council's meetings.

Number of staff: 14

Chairman: Yoram Mokady

(if not applicable, please name Director General)

Vice Chairman: The position is currently unmanned.

Please describe your authority's structure if it doesn't have a board:

13 members: 6 government's representatives, employed by the state of Israel and 7 public representatives.

## Competences

		national	regional	local
Granting of licences	Terrestrial analogue broadcasters- The second TV and radio Authority, Israel Broadcasting Authority.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Terrestrial digital broadcasters-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Satellite analogue broadcasters Advising the minister of communication.	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Satellite digital broadcasters- Advising the minister of communication.	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Cable analogue broadcasters	✓	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Cable digital broadcasters	✓	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Others (please specify): Channels of major importance-In order to promote channels of major importance the Council has published during the last three years tenders for 4 special interest commercial channels, whose content is aimed to fill cultural gaps in Israeli society	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Others (please specify): Independent channels- A new and unique amendment to the Communications Act, enables	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

independent channels to access the cable operators platform, in order to encourage competition in the subscribers content market.

in the areas where your authority is not competent to grant licences, please specify the authority in charge:

Please add any other relevant information:

Granting of declarations	Terrestrial analogue broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Terrestrial digital broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	satellite analogue broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	satellite digital broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	cable analogue broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	cable digital broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	others(please specify):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Please add any other relevant information:

Frequency allocation

Supervision of	private broadcasters	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	public broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Handling complaints

Sanctioning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> issue warning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> impose fine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> demand to broadcast announcement
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> revoke licence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> suspend licence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> reduction in the licensing period
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> suspend a broadcast		
	<input type="checkbox"/> other (please specify):		

Rule making  codes  Secondary regulation:  
 other (please specify): policies, council decisions.

Consultative powers  please specify the areas covered:  
 Satellite broadcasting licensing, classifications.  
 The council is consulted on all issues regarding multi-channel broadcasting.

Power of nomination  please specify:  
 (e.g. chairman of PSB)

Monitoring            ✓ programming  
                             ✓ financial performance  
                             ✓ others (please specify): consumer's protection

others                 Please specify:

Please add any information you deem important:

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<sup>i</sup> By "licence fee" we refer to the public service licence fee usually paid by the entire population, whereas the term "industry fee" implies all those funding mechanisms based on a contribution from broadcasters themselves, including, for example, licensing fees (i.e. an amount of money that is paid by the broadcaster for it to be able to carry out its broadcasting operations) and frequency taxes.