

Animation Section – Schedule 1
Voluntary Recognition Agreement for Animation Productions

Prior to contracting an Animation Writer or Animation Story Editor, Producers who agree to become parties to this Section shall sign a Voluntary Recognition Agreement as follows on their own letterhead and forward it to the Guild. This Voluntary Recognition Agreement shall constitute a binding and irrevocable obligation by the Producer to the terms and conditions of the Animation Section of the Independent Production Agreement:

VOLUNTARY RECOGNITION AGREEMENT FOR ANIMATION PRODUCTIONS

(Bargaining Authorization And Voluntary Recognition Agreement)

I, _____ (Insert name of individual) for the Production _____ (title of Production) on behalf of the Producer hereby acknowledge receipt of the Animation Section of the Independent Production Agreement dated May 22, 2024 to January 31, 2027 covering Freelance Writers of Theatrical Films, and Television Programs and Other Productions between the Canadian Media Producers Association (CMPA) and the Writers Guild of Canada (the Guild). We hereby become signatory to said Section and only this Section of the Agreement and state that I am authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of _____, (the “Producer”).

The Producer hereby acknowledges that by executing this Voluntary Recognition Agreement it is becoming signatory to the said Animation Section for the Animation Production. The Producer agrees to abide by and conform to all the terms and conditions contained therein.

The Producer recognizes that the Guild is the exclusive bargaining agent of Animation Writers and Animation Story Editors as defined in the Animation Section and recognizes the CMPA, if the Producer is a member, as the Producer’s sole and exclusive bargaining agent.

Please check one of the following:

___ The Producer hereby certifies that it is a member in good standing of the CMPA.

Membership No. _____

The Negotiation Protocol set out in Appendix A of the IPA is hereby incorporated herein by reference, and by signing this document, the Producer appoints the CMPA as its exclusive bargaining agent, authorized to bargain on its behalf, and agrees that it shall be bound by the terms and conditions of the Agreement which is the result of collective bargaining between the Association on the one hand, and the Guild on the other hand, subject to ratification.

OR:

___ The Producer hereby certifies that it is not a member in good standing of the CMPA. The Negotiation Protocol set out in Appendix A is not incorporated herein by reference, and the Producer does not appoint the CMPA as its exclusive bargaining agent.

A copy of this Voluntary Recognition Agreement shall be forwarded to the CMPA.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20__

(Name of Signatory Producer)

(Address of Signatory Producer)

(Phone and fax number of Signatory Producer)

(Email address of Signatory Producer)

(Authorized Signature of Signatory Producer)

(Print or type name of Authorized Signatory)

Receipt of the above Voluntary Recognition Agreement is hereby confirmed by the
Writers Guild of Canada

(Authorized Signature of WGC Representative)

(Print or type name of Authorized Signatory)

(Date)