

DJ Services Contract

DJ: [DJ name], [Business name] **Client:** [Client name] **Contract date:** [Date]

1. Event

Event: [type, e.g., "wedding reception"] on [Event date] at [Venue name and address].

Performance time: [Start time] to [End time] ([Number] hours). DJ will arrive at least

[Number, e.g., 90] minutes before the start to set up. Venue contact: [name and phone].

2. Services

DJ will provide music and [Choose: "MC services, including announcements and introductions" / "music only"], plus [e.g., "a sound system for up to [Number] guests, wireless microphone, dance-floor lighting, and ceremony sound"]. Client will send a planning form with must-play songs, do-not-play songs, special dances, and announcements by [Date, e.g., "two weeks before the event"]. DJ will use professional judgment to keep the dance floor going and will play edited (clean) versions where Client asks.

3. Fee and Payment

Total fee: [Amount]. A non-refundable retainer of [Amount] is due at signing to reserve the date. The balance of [Amount] is due by [Date, e.g., "7 days before the event"], by [method]. Overtime, if Client and the venue agree on the day, is [Amount] per hour or part of an hour.

4. Venue Requirements

Client will make sure the venue provides: a [Number]-foot by [Number]-foot space near the dance floor, a table, [Number] grounded electrical outlets within [Number] feet, and protection from rain and direct sun for outdoor events. DJ will follow the venue's rules, including sound limits and end times, even if that means stopping early.

5. Meals and Breaks

[For events longer than [Number] hours:] Client will provide a meal for DJ [and assistant], served when guests are served, and DJ may take short breaks with music playing.

6. Cancellation and Rescheduling

If Client cancels, the retainer is kept, and if the cancellation is within [Number, e.g., 30] days of the event, [percentage]% of the balance is also due. If Client reschedules, DJ will apply the retainer to a new date if available within [Number, e.g., 12] months. If DJ cannot perform because of illness or emergency, DJ will try to provide a comparable replacement DJ approved by Client; if none is available, DJ will refund all payments, and this is DJ's only liability.

7. Safety, Damage, and Insurance

Client is responsible for guests' conduct and for damage guests cause to DJ's equipment. DJ may stop performing if guests create an unsafe situation. DJ carries general liability insurance of [Amount] and will provide a certificate to the venue on request.

8. Music Licensing and Recording

DJ plays music from legally obtained sources; public performance licenses are the venue's responsibility where required. DJ may take photos or short videos of the setup for promotion [unless Client opts out here: ____].

9. Governing Law

This contract is governed by the laws of the State of [State] and is the entire agreement for this event; changes must be in writing and signed by both parties.

Signatures

By signing below, each party agrees to these terms.

[DJ name] ("DJ")

Signature: _____ Printed name: _____ Date: _____

[Client name] ("Client")

Signature: _____ Printed name: _____ Date: _____

This template is a general starting point, not legal advice — customize it and have it reviewed for your situation.