

Dispensation Policy May 6, 2008

Members may apply to the Executive Board of the DGC Ontario in order to work without a Guild contract on a project not identified in the Guild's Exemption Policy.

Members may not work in Guild categories without a Guild contract on Television Series, Specials, Mini-Series, Feature Films, Documentaries, Made for Television Movies, Serials or Strip Programs, without receiving the prior written approval of the DGC Ontario.

In nearly all cases involving Feature Films, Documentaries and all forms of Television Motion Pictures, including lifestyle and reality programming, Producers may only have access to Guild Members provided that the Guild Members are engaged in accordance with the DGC/CFTPA Standard Agreement.

The creation of Tier F in the Standard Agreement was not meant to limit a Member's ability to create his/her own work or to develop professionally through work experience or to participate in interesting projects. The Guild retains the right to grant dispensation to its Members who wish to work on Tier F motion pictures.

Tier F productions are defined as following –

Type of Motion Picture	Total Budgets Under
Feature Films	Under \$1,100,000
Television Motion Pictures (long form)	Under \$1,100,000
Mini-Series	Under \$1,100,000 for each 2 hours of broadcast time
Half-Hour TV Series	Under \$125,000 per half-hour
One-Hour TV Series	Under \$225,000 per hour
Half-Hour Serials & Strip Programs	Under \$110,000 per half-hour
One-Hour Serials & Strip Programs	Under 190,000 per hour
Mobisodes, Webisodes, etc.	Under \$5,208 per minute of finished material
Documentaries	Under \$110,000 per half-hour

Please Note – Dispensation will not be granted retroactively.