

AGE LIMIT AUDIOVISUAL PROGRAMMES



Age limit	Mood/expression	Violence	Sexuality	Other themes
	Light/cheerful Calm expression Brief «startle effects», or moderately thrilling elements in a safe framework	Short sequences of clear “cartoon violence”	Suggestive or not intrusive	Toned down/no disturbing themes Few details Adapted for children
	Some dark, dramatic or moderately threatening scenes Scenes with dramatic or powerful effects (sound or images) Brief scary elements (characters or situations)	«Slapstick»	Suggestive or not intrusive	Toned down/no disturbing themes Few details Adapted for children
	Sequences with dark, intense or an unsafe mood, particularly in combination with scary characters or threatening situations	Brief non-explicit violence Action violence typical for animated films and series	Suggestive or not intrusive	Moderately depictions of unsafe or unstable family relations and/or adults Fairly dramatic images of accidents and/or medical treatments/surgery (see list of topics under section 2.3) Children suffering or in difficulty (including bullying) Animals suffering
	Generally dark mood Some fear (characters, scenes or music) Brief horror effects	Parody/humorous Unrealistic Action violence in “live action” films	Non-detailed depictions of normal sexuality Within the premises of children and young people	Relationship conflicts and/or strong emotional outbursts Non-detailed depictions or scenes from war, catastrophes, terror, etc. (see list of themes under point 2.3) Generally coarse humour (disparaging, sarcastic or sexualised)
	Anxiety-inducing mood Generally gloomy mood in combination with violent, sexual or thematic elements (see list under point 2.3) Horror effects	Large amounts of action violence (typical for the action genre) Detailed/explicit/bloody Realistic Detailed depictions of war Abuse/torture	Detailed sexual depictions Extensive, but not explicit sexual depictions (“soft porn”)	Detailed and/or realistic depictions of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • War • Catastrophes • Terror • Neglect • Abuse/incest • Suicide
	Particularly anxiety-inducing mood combined with detailed/ explicit and rough depictions of violence and/or sex	Large amount of rough, cynical and/or detailed acts of violence Sexualised violence	Depictions of non-consensual sex Combination of sex and violence “Hardcore porn” (extensive, explicit and detailed sexual depictions)	Detailed and/or realistic depictions of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • War • Catastrophes • Terror • Neglect • Abuse/incest • Suicide