



**SAG-AFTRA**

# CONTRACT BULLETIN

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## MICRO-BUDGET

## What You Need to Know

**SAG-AFTRA is pleased to begin offering the Micro-Budget Project Agreement (“Micro”) for projects commencing December 1, 2020 or later. The Micro is designed to provide a streamlined signatory process for independent producers.**



### What Projects Qualify?

- Entertainment Content — the type of project that would typically sign a new media agreement or the Short Project Agreement or the Student Film Agreement
- Budgeted at \$20,000 or less per picture or per episode
- Recorded entirely in the US (and its territories)
- Live Action
- Scripted and Unscripted
- Permitted Exhibition:
  - Film Festivals
  - Free to the Consumer New Media (AVOD)
  - Required Screenings for Academy Award Consideration
  - Public Access TV
  - For Demo Purposes
  - In The Classroom (student producers)

### What Doesn't Fit Under this Agreement?

This Agreement won't be right for everyone. The following would not qualify for the Micro:

- Animation
- Branded/Influencer Content
- Commercials
- Corporate or Educational Videos

- Music Videos
- Audio only content including audiobooks, podcasts and radio plays
- Video Games
- News/Broadcast
- Projects including any nudity or simulated sex
- Projects including any hazardous stunts
- Projects where the producer has received any compensation in exchange for the right to distribute or exhibit it

### What Are the Terms of this Agreement?

Most terms will be subject to negotiation between producer and performer. Please note that this Agreement does not create eligibility to join the union.

### Where Do I Sign Up?

Visit [sagaftra.org/microform](https://sagaftra.org/microform) to sign up.

### Questions?

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