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**ALL CHILDREN’S TELEVISION PROGRAMMING REPORTS MUST BE FILED USING THE COMMISSION’S LICENSING AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

As part of the Commission’s ongoing effort to update the Commission’s application filing systems, all Children’s Television Programming Reports (FCC Form 398), beginning with first quarter 2016, must be filed in the Commission’s Licensing and Management System (LMS). Starting March 31, 2016, Stations will no longer be able to use the Children’s Television (“KidVid”) Online Filing System to file or amend Children’s Television Programming Reports and the link to filing reports will be disabled in the KidVid Filing System.[[1]](#footnote-2)

LMS can be accessed by using the following link: <https://enterpriseefiling.fcc.gov/dataentry/login.html>. To file Children’s Programming Reports follow these instructions:

1. Login using station’s FRN and password;
2. Click on the facility tab on top of the page;
3. Click on facility ID of the desired station;
4. Click on “file an application”;
5. Select Children’s Programming Report from the drop down menu.

As a reminder, Section 73.3526(e)(11)(iii) of the Commission’s rules (the “Rules”) requires each Class A and commercial full power television to prepare on a quarterly basis a Children’s Television Programming Report reflecting, *inter alia*, the efforts that it has made during the preceding quarter to serve the educational and informational needs of children.[[2]](#footnote-3) Each licensee must file a copy of each report with the Commission and place a copy of each report into the Station’s on-line local public inspection file no later than the tenth day of the succeeding calendar quarter (i.e., April 10, July 10, October 10, and January 10). Copies of each report must be retained in the Station’s online public file until action is taken on its next license renewal application.[[3]](#footnote-4) The licensee must also publicize the existence and location of its reports. Pursuant to Section 73.3526(b)(4) of our rules, the Commission will automatically link a copy of the Station’s quarterly Children’s Television Programming Report to its online public file. In the event that the report is not linked to the Station’s online public file by tenth day of the succeeding calendar quarter the licensee is responsible for manually uploading a copy of the report to the Station’s online public file.[[4]](#footnote-5) Failure to timely prepare, place or file a Children’s Television Programming Report may result in sanction against the Licensee, including admonishment or forfeiture.

For technical problems or trouble accessing LMS broadcasters can contact (877) 480-3201 TTY: (717) 338-2824. For all other questions contact Hossein Hashemzadeh at (202) 418-1658 or at Hossein.Hashemzadeh@fcc.gov. For legal inquiries concerning the broadcasters’ children’s programming filing requirement, contact Evan Morris at (202) 418-1656 or at Evan.Morris@fcc.gov. For press inquiries, contact Janice Wise at (202) 418-8165.

1. In October 2015 the ability to search previously filed Children’s Programming Reports was migrated to LMS. <https://enterpriseefiling.fcc.gov/dataentry/public/tv/childrenProgramSearch.html>. Furthermore, licensees have been able to file Children’s Television Programming Reports in LMS since June 2015. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. 47 C.F.R. § 73.3526(e)(11)(iii). [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. *Id.* [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
4. 47 C.F.R. § 73.3526(b)(4). [↑](#footnote-ref-5)