

# German rules against YouTube in rights case

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(AP) -- A German court has ruled that online video platform YouTube must install filters to prevent users from uploading some music videos whose rights are held by a music-royalties collecting body.

German news agency dapd reported that the Hamburg state court on Friday mostly sided with Germany's GEMA, which represents about 60,000 German writers and musicians.

GEMA took [Google](#) Inc.'s [YouTube](#) unit to court over 12 temporarily uploaded [music videos](#) for which no royalties were paid.

YouTube has maintained that it bears no legal responsibility for the uploaded content - saying it checks and sometimes blocks content when users alert the firm about alleged violations of laws.

It was not immediately clear whether the ruling will be appealed.

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