MUSIC FORWARD
Tech Riders
AND STAGE PLOTS

When playing in a new venue, it is important to create a tech rider that lets the stage crew know how to set up the stage and your equipment. It's important to have a quality tech rider in order to streamline the preparation for your performance.

5 THINGS TO INCLUDE IN YOUR TECH RIDER:

1. A General Summary
How many people in the band, what instrument each person plays, and whether they sing. This gives the sound person a great starting point for setting up lines to the stage.
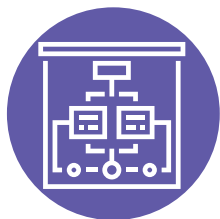
2. A Summary of Equipment
Create 2 lists: one of the equipment you're carrying, and another of what you expect to be supplied by venue. Be specific.

3. Frontline Description
Make sure your tech rider clearly states your expectation from the PA, monitors, and console. This should include general specs such as how many monitors you'll need onstage, and any special mixing requests.

4. Stage Plot
A stage plot is a picture diagram of the equipment and where you'd like it to be set up. Be specific. The stage crew will use this to set your stage.

5. Your Contact Information
Always include your contact info in case the venue or sound person needs clarifications on your tech rider. Include a link to your music to check out the sound in advance.