

# Important Notices To Our Customers

## How to Use Your Cable Service Notice to Customers Regarding Equipment Compatibility & Important Information

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### How To Use Your Cable Service

Congratulations on your choice of one of the world's best entertainment and information media - cable TV! We have designed our XFINITY TV service to be as simple to use as it is exciting to explore!

This information is provided to enable you to be more knowledgeable about your service and to answer any questions you may have about it.

### Complaint Procedures

If you have a complaint regarding your cable television service or your bill, please call the local customer service number listed below or our toll-free telephone number which is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You can also visit our local business office listed on your billing statement. Alternatively, if you wish to put your comments in writing, your letter should be addressed to Comcast at the local address listed on your billing statement. We will promptly try to resolve your complaint. If we are unable to resolve your complaint, we will notify you that we are unable to do so and explain the reason why. If you are dissatisfied with our resolution of your complaint, or we are unable to resolve your complaint, you may contact the local franchising authority to discuss your complaint. Please refer to your monthly cable bill or call the local customer service number listed below for the name and address of your local franchising authority.

### General Do's and Don'ts

We have installed cable in your home in a manner that is consistent with Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") rules. Here are a few tips to keep it operating safely and reliably:

1. During severe electrical storms you should unplug your television set and cable converter to avoid damage. Comcast and your set manufacturer are not responsible for damage which occurs due to acts of nature.
2. Your cable converter operates on 110 volts. Please take all the same precautions you would for any small appliance, such as checking the cord to make sure it is not worn or damaged.
3. For your own safety, do not attempt to open or otherwise tamper with your cable converter.
4. If you have someone other than Comcast install the inside wiring in your home, or if you do it yourself, you are responsible for ensuring that the installation
  - a. complies with all applicable governmental regulations (FCC signal leakage rules, for example), and
  - b. does not interfere with the normal operations of the cable system or any other communications systems, such as those used by police and fire departments.

## Billing

Your monthly cable bill not only gives you a listing of your current charges, payments and credits, but it may also contain special messages to our customers. Take time to review your bill to make sure your name, address and other information are correct. You generally will be billed at the same time each month unless you are notified otherwise.

Your first statement will include a monthly charge for the upcoming month. It may also include:

1. Your installation charge,
2. A partial charge for your first month's service if you are connected in the middle of a billing cycle; for example, if your monthly cable fee is \$24.00 and you connect to cable on the tenth day of a 30-day month, you would be billed for 2/3 of a month. The amount shown next to the line entry "prorate" or "partial month" would be \$16.00,
3. Your payment due date,
4. An address to send any written requests in a separate letter to Comcast, and
5. All prices for services (these may be subject to applicable franchise fees and taxes).

## Theft Of Service

The Cable Act (47 USC § 533) created both civil and criminal penalties for manufacturers, suppliers and users of unauthorized cable devices. This federal theft-of-service law supplements any existing state or local laws, and provides a federal remedy against any person who, without authorization, intercepts or receives any communication service which is provided over a cable system.

This federal law prohibits the unauthorized interception or receipt of any communications service over a cable system. This would include the theft of audio, video, textual data or other service, including data transmitted to or from a customer over a system that has interactive capability. The law applies to both manufacturers and distributors of equipment, as well as individual subscribers.

The Cable Act provides both civil and criminal penalties for theft of cable services. Under this federal legislation, a cable operator may seek substantial monetary damages for the theft of its cable services. In addition, if the violations are willful and for commercial advantage or private financial gain, the court may award damages of up to \$50,000 in civil cases and a maximum of \$100,000 for certain criminal violations, in addition to a maximum of five years imprisonment for subsequent offenses.

***Theft of service creates unfair burdens on cable subscribers who are forced to subsidize the benefits that other individuals are getting by receiving cable service without paying for it.***

## About Your Converter/CableCARD

In order to receive XFINITY TV, as well as to descramble certain optional premium or pay-per-view services, you may require an electronic channel selection device called a "converter" or a CableCARD activated device. A converter and a remote control or a CableCARD are available from Comcast on a lease basis or converters or remotes may be purchased at certain retail outlets, including consumer appliance or electronics stores.

Some television components like DVD players, DVD recorders, cable-ready sets and remote-control devices may not be compatible with your cable television service. We encourage you to make certain components you purchase are compatible with your cable television service prior to making a purchase. For further information, please refer to the Equipment Compatibility section of this notification, or call your local Comcast office.

Converters that unscramble services also provide our customers with the option to use "parental control" to block channels they wish not to view.

It is easy to watch your television after connecting to cable using a converter. Just turn on both your television set and the converter. Make sure that your television is tuned to the output channel of your converter (Ch. 2, 3 or 4), and then select the channel you want to watch by using the controls on either the converter or the hand-held remote control device. To ensure reliable operation, make sure the converter is plugged into a "live" electrical outlet, rather than one controlled by a light switch. Loss of power to some converters may result in a temporary loss of cable service, even after the power is restored.

**IF YOUR CONVERTER IS PROVIDED TO YOU BY COMCAST, YOU MUST RETURN IT ONCE YOU ARE NO LONGER A CUSTOMER.**

## If You Have Problems

If you experience a problem with picture or signal quality, you should review your television, DVD player and/or DVD recorder owner's manual for proper adjustment or please try the troubleshooting information below. If your service problem does not clear up you should call the local customer service number listed below and describe the problem to a customer service representative.

In order to correct the problem, we may need access to your premises. If required, a service call will be scheduled at a time convenient to you. We will make all reasonable efforts to resolve any complaints you have concerning the quality of our signals promptly and efficiently. Excluding conditions beyond our control, we will respond to a service interruption no later than twenty-four hours after receipt of notification. We respond to other service problems no later than the next business day after notification. If our service technician is unable to correct the problem to your satisfaction we will, at your request, schedule a second service appointment. If we remain unable to correct the problem you will be notified of this fact and the reason why. If you are dissatisfied with our resolution of your service problem, you may contact the local franchising authority to discuss the problem with your service. Please refer to your monthly cable bill or call the local customer service number listed below for the name and address of your local franchising authority.