

BROADCAST TV TRANSITION:

What to Watch For

Remote Control Guide



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Some local TV stations across the U.S. are changing their over-the-air broadcast frequencies and their viewers will need to rescan their TV to continue to receive those channels.

This rescan guide has been created for people who use an antenna to watch over-the-air television. Viewers who subscribe to cable or satellite TV service will not need to take these steps.

TV Rescan

Many over-the-air TV channels across the U.S. are changing frequencies to help open up airwaves for new high-speed wireless services. A change in frequency impacts how a channel is received over-the-air by your TV.

If you watch over-the-air television with an antenna, you will need to rescan your TV set each time a station moves to a new frequency to ensure that your TV recognizes the new frequency when you tune to that channel. It's the same scan that you did to find your local channels when you set up your TV or converter box for the first time.

The actual channel number on your TV will not change. After the TV is rescanned, the channel number you see will be the same as before.

Rescanning with Your Remote Control

The terminology for rescanning differs somewhat across manufacturers. Rescanning may also be referred to as auto-tuning, channel set-up, channel scan, channel search, auto-scan, auto-program, or other terminology depending on your TV make and model. Instructions are similar for most remote controls.

While the terminology may differ, the process for rescanning is fairly simple. The following pages provide step-by-step instructions for several television brands. You should also consult your TV or converter box owner's manual or visit the manufacturer's website for instructions and customer service contact information.

Additional help is available on the FCC website at www.fcc.gov/TVrescan or by calling 1-888-CALLFCC and selecting option "6."

TV BRAND	STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS
<p>Haier www.haier.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click the "Menu" button. • Select "Channels." • Click "Auto Tuning."
<p>Hitachi www.hitachi.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click the "Menu" button. • Select "Channels." • Then click "Air." • You will be asked "Are you sure you want to auto channel scan?" • Click the "Yes" button.
<p>Insignia www.insigniaproducts.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click the "Menu" button. • Select "Antenna" as your source. • Then click "Scan."
<p>LG www.lg.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click the "Home" button. • Hit the "Settings" button. • Then the "Channels" button. • Click the "Auto-Tuning" button.
<p>Panasonic www.panasonic.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click the "Menu" button. • From the menu, click the "Set-Up" button. • Select "Antenna." • Click the "Scan" button.
<p>Philips www.philips.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click the "Home" button. • Use the left/right button to select "Set Up." • Use the directional buttons to select "Search for Channels." • Hit the "OK" button.

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<p>Samsung www.samsung.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click the “Menu” button. • From the menu, select “Channel.” • Click the “Auto Program” button. • Some Samsung models require you to then click the “Air” button. Others will just immediately begin scanning.
<p>Sharp www.sharptvusa.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click the “Quick Setup Menu” button. • From that menu, select “Channel.” • Then click “Auto Channel Scan.”
<p>Toshiba tvna.compal-toshiba.com/us/en/</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click the “Menu” button. • Using the up/down buttons, click into the “Set Up” menu. • Using the up/down buttons, select “Auto Tune.”
<p>Vizio www.vizio.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Press the “Menu” button. • Use the up/down buttons to click into “Set-Up” menu. • Use the up/down buttons to select “Re-Tune.” • Click the “OK” button.

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