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# DIGITAL-TO-ANALOG TELEVISION CONVERTER BOX COUPON PROGRAM

Do you have a TV in your home that works with the help of "rabbit ears" or a rooftop antenna?

If so, you should be aware of an important change in broadcasting coming in *February 2009*.

If you receive free TV using an antenna and your TV is not digital, you need to take action sometime before *February 17, 2009* so you can continue to receive programs after that date.

What's this about? The Digital Television Transition and Public Safety Act of 2005 requires TV stations to stop broadcasting in analog and to broadcast only in digital after *February 17, 2009*. The digital transition will provide a better viewing experience for consumers and help emergency responders protect your community.

The Act created the digitial-to-analog converter box coupon program for households wishing to use their analog TVs after the transition. This Program allows US households to obtain up to two coupons, each worth \$40, that can be applied towards the cost of certain converter boxes. TVs connected to cable, satellite, or other pay services do not need a converter box to receive programs after February 17, 2009.

What do I need to do? For each analog TV you own, you need to decide *before* February 17, 2009 how you would like to get programming after the change to digital.

### What are my options?

- 1. Keep your TV and buy a converter box with coupons available from the US Government, or
- 2. Keep your TV and get cable, satellite or other paid TV services, or
- 3. Replace your TV with a digital TV.

**How do I get a coupon?** Apply online or by phone. You may also mail in or fax a Coupon Application. You may request one coupon now and one later, but no more than two coupons per household are allowed. Supplies are limited. Requests must be received by March 31, 2009. Contact information is listed below.

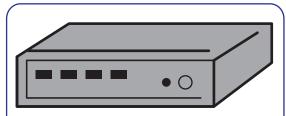


ONLINE www.DTV2009.gov

**BY PHONE** 1-888-DTV-2009 TDD/TTY: 1-8XX-XXX-XXXX

BY MAIL PO Box 2000 Portland, OR 97208

BY FAX 1-877-DTV-4ME2



A converter box is a new product available beginning in 2008 that makes analog-only TVs work after February 17, 2009.

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Apply by phone: **1-888-DTV-2009** 

Mail applications to: PO Box 2000, Portland, OR 97208

Fax applications to: **1-877-DTV-4ME2** 

#### ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MARCH 31, 2009.

Expect to receive coupon(s) within 2 - 3 weeks of when you mail this Application.

# **COUPON APPLICATION** All information must be filled out. Please type or print clearly.

## **1.** Your Name and Address.

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Signature

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