



# Class 1: Digital Cable & the DCT

- Introduction and turning the DCT on and off
  - As well as how to get your DCT and VCR/DVD to get along
- Using the On-screen Programming Guide
  - What it is, how to get around, searching, etc.
- Using the Parental Controls
  - Blocking by rating and by channel, security codes
- Basic Troubleshooting
  - What to check; how to reset the DCT and start over

## DCT

Stands for Digital Cable Terminal. It takes the cable signal coming in and converts it to pictures. It also allows some interactive features like channel guide, parental controls and ordering Pay-per-View movies. It also has many plug-ins for integrating a VCR, DVD player or stereo system into your tv.

### Turning TV/Cable On

With TV and DCT OFF, press TV button on remote and press power. TV should come on. Now press the Cable button on the remote and press power. Cable box should come on and channel should change to whatever Cable box is on.

### Getting your TV and VCR/DVD to get along

There are a few little rules to successful VCR/DVD integration. The cable coax DOES have to be routed through it/them if you expect to record any cable channels. The trick is that the VCR and DVD player have to be OFF. There are ways you can watch TV through your VCR and when recording, you need the VCR on and set to the channel you want to record, but it can get really confusing so let's just turn the power OFF on the VCR and DVD player.

## Search Features



The On-screen Programming Guide has several layers of searching capabilities.

### Basic Channel Guide

- See what is on during the current 90 minutes.
- Press Guide
- Scroll using the arrow buttons to browse channels and time frames.
- Press Page Up/Down to scroll channels faster.

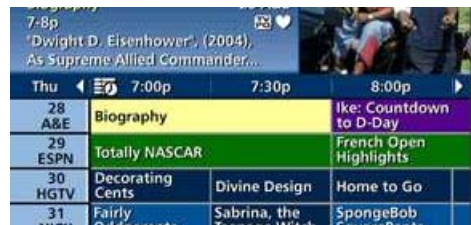
### Advanced Searching

- Press Menu
- Arrow over to the Search icon and press OK
- Select what you want to search for:
  - (A-Z Title Search, Movies, Sports, Kids, Pay-per-View, HD, My Favorites, Digital Music)

Narrow your search further or press Search All.

The guide will show you everything on during the current time slot that fits your criteria.

## On-Screen Program Guide



### The Basics

- Press Guide to access listings.
- Use **Page Up/Down buttons** to move through the list by page.
- Use the **arrow buttons** to move through the listings and times.

- Press **Enter** to go to a show.
- Press **Info** to get a description.
- Press **Exit** to leave program guide.

### Menu Items

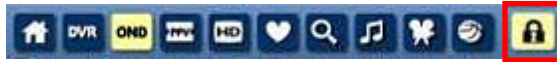
Use the Menu button to access and setup features such as:

- My Favorite Channels**
- Search** (all, movies, sports, kids)
- Pay-Per-View** programming
- Parental Controls**
- DVR** (on DVR receivers)

Press Enter and follow prompts to setup and use these features.



## Parental Controls



The DCT receiver has some great Parental Control options so you don't have to worry what your children might be watching. To get to Parental Controls:

Press Menu  
Arrow to Parental Controls and press OK  
Type a 4 digit number to use as your PIN/Lock code

**!** Save your PIN number or you won't have access to make changes!

You have 6 types of Parental Controls:

- Title** -- keeps all show titles from displaying (may not be available option)
- TV Rating** -- Block shows based on rating (TV - TVMA). Arrow to each rating and press OK to block it.
- Movie Rating** -- Block movies based on rating (G - Adult). Arrow to each rating and press OK to block it.
- Channel** -- Block all content from specific channels Arrow to each channel and press OK to block it.
- Master Lock** -- Lets you temporarily bypass or completely reset all existing locks. Press OK, arrow down to choice and press OK to approve.
- Adult Titles** -- Block titles of adult PPV (Hide or Show)

Press Exit when finished to return to tv screen

## Special Function Buttons

- Last** -- Always goes back to your previous channel, screen or menu item
- FAV** -- Lets you setup, view and manage a list of "My Favorite" channels. (using My Favorites is a handy way to channel surf between just channels you like)
- INFO** -- Give you a short summary of the show you are watching (or highlighting in the guide)
- EXIT** -- Leave any menu, guide screen or setup quickly
- Day +/-** -- Move channel listing guide forward or back one whole day at a time (up to 2 weeks)



## Troubleshooting

Be sure the TV and DCT are plugged into a 'live' electrical outlet, not one controlled by a wall switch. One DCT is needed for each TV to receive digital service.

Be sure the TV is on channel 3.

Make sure your VCR is off.

The TV should be in CATV mode.

Go into the TV's main menu and make sure it is in CATV mode, not TV, Air or Antenna mode.

If you have a HDTV insure that you have selected the proper video input.

Make sure all wires are tightly connected. Make sure remote has good batteries that are properly installed.

## To Start Over

With TV and DCT OFF, press TV button on remote and press power. TV should come on.

Press 03 to put TV on channel 3. Now press Cable button on remote and press power. Your tv should now switch to the channel set on the DCT.

Your remote will now control your DCT (channels, volume, programming guide, etc)

**Online Interactive Help:**  
<http://www.i-guide.tv>