## **TV Converter Box Coupon Program**



## What is the digital television transition?

At midnight on February 17, 2009, all full-power television stations in the United States will stop broadcasting in analog and switch to 100% digital broadcasting. Digital broadcasting promises to provide a clearer picture and more programming options and will free up airwaves for use by emergency responders.

## What is the TV Converter Box Coupon Program?

Congress created the TV Converter Box Coupon Program for households wishing to keep using their analog TV sets after February 17, 2009. The Program allows U.S. households to obtain up to two coupons, each worth \$40.00, that can be applied toward the cost of eligible converter boxes.

A TV connected to cable, satellite or other pay TV service does not require a TV converter box from this program.

Consumers have a variety of options. Options to explore include:

- Keep your existing analog TV and purchase a TV converter box. A converter box plugs into your TV and will keep it working after Feb. 17, 2009, or
- 2. Connect to cable, satellite or other pay service, or
- 3. Purchase a television with a digital tuner.

Please go to following link for more details: https://www.dtv2009.gov/

## Additional Information:

- Frequently-Asked Questions: For general consumer information about the converter coupon program and the digital television transition. [Preguntas Frecuentes en español (Acrobat PDF 180 Kb)]
- Coupon Program Fact Sheet (Printable version: Acrobat PDF 138 Kb)
- Basic Information Brochure: For a brochure explaining the basics of the Coupon Program, click here. (PDF 245 Kb)
   [Folleto en español (PDF 245 Kb)]
- Information Sheet for Consumers: For more details about consumer participation, see the DTV Converter Box Coupon Program: Information Sheet for Consumers. (Acrobat PDF 181 Kb)
   [Hoja informativa para consumidores en español. (MS Word)]